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26th „	PERSIA	7951	....	....
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9th „	OCEANA	6610	....	....
16th „	PENINSULAR	5294	MOOLTAN	9621
23rd „	EGYPT	7912	....	....
30th „	PENINSULAR	5294	CHINA	7912
7th Dec.	MARMORA	10509	....	....
14th „	PENINSULAR	5294	HIMALAYA	6898
21st „	ARABIA	7903	....	....
28th „	ORIENTAL	5284	MOLDAVIA	9500
1908.				
4th Jan.	PERSIA	7951	....	....
11th „	ORIENTAL	5284	INDIA	7911
18th „	OCEANA	6610	....	....
25th „	ORIENTAL	5284	MONGOLIA	9505
1st Feb.	EGYPT	7912	....	....
8th „	CALEDONIA	7558	VICTORIA	6522
15th „	ORIENTAL	5284	....	....
22nd „	MACEDONIA	10512	....	....
29th „	ARCADIA	6603	....	....
7th Mar.	CALEDONIA	7558	BRITANNIA	6525
14th „	ARABIA	7903	....	....
21st „	CALEDONIA	7558	MOOLTAN	9621
28th „	PERSIA	7951	....	....
4th Apr.	MARMORA	10509	....	....
11th „	EGYPT	7912	....	....
18th „	CALEDONIA	7558	MOLDAVIA	9500
25th „	MACEDONIA	10512	....	....
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PAID-UP CAPITAL .... „ 24,000,000
ORDINARY RESERVE FUND ... „ 11,550,000
SPECIAL RESERVE for SILVER FUND .... „ 1,000,000
SPECIAL RESERVE FUND ...... „ 2,500,000

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SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL .... £ 1,125,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL .... £ 562,500
RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHAREHOLDERS .... £ 562,500
RESERVE FUNDS .... £ 170,000

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The London Joint Stock Bank.

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The Bank negotiates and collects Bills and grants Drafts payable at its Head Office and Branches, and issues Letters of Credit for the use of Travellers.

The Bank receives Deposits on the following terms:—

CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS.

Interest allowed at 2 per cent. on the daily balance if not under Rs. 1,000 and not exceeding Rs. 1,00,000. Sums over Rs. 1,00,000 will be received on terms to be ascertained on application.

FIXED DEPOSITS.

Rates for Fixed deposits for 12 months and shorter period to be ascertained on application.

The Bank undertakes the purchase and sale of Government Securities, Stocks, and Shares, and receives same for safe custody, realising interest and dividends when due.

JAMES MURDOCH,
Manager.

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THE BANK OF INDIA, LD

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CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED ... Rs. 1,00,00,000
CAPITAL CALLED UP ... „ 50,00,000

DIRECTORS:

SIR SASSOON DAVID, Kt., Chairman. (Messrs Sassoon J. David and Co., (Bombay.)
SIR J. COWASJEE JEHANGIR, Kt. (Messrs Cowasjee Jehangir and Co.)
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CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS.

INTEREST is allowed on Daily Balance from Rs. 300 to Rs. 1,00,000 at the rate of 2½ per cent per annum, and on sums over Rs. 1,00,000 by special arrangement. No interest which does not come to Rs. 3 per half-year will be allowed.

FIXED DEPOSITS.

Amounts for 12 months are received at 4½ per cent. and for other periods on terms which may be ascertained on application.

LOANS OVERDRAFTS, & CASH CREDITS.

The Banks grants accommodation on terms to be arranged against approved security.

The Bank undertakes on behalf of its Constituents the safe custody of Shares and Securities and the collection of dividends and interest thereon: they also undertake the sale and purchase of Government Paper and all description of Stocks at moderate charges, particulars of which may be had on application

H. P. STRINGFELLOW,
Manager

NATIONAL BANK OF INDIA, LD.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL £1,200,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL £600,000
RESERVE FUND £600,000

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Kurrachee.	Rangoon.	Newera Elya.	Nairobi.
Steamer Point.	Aden.	Kandy.	Chittagong
Entebbe.			

FIXED DEPOSITS.—The Bank receives DEPOSITS FIXED for one year and shorter periods, at Rates of Interest to be ascertained on application.

CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS are opened for approved Customers, and interest is allowed at 2 per cent. per annum on daily balances from Rs. 1,000 up to Rs. 1,00,000, but no interest is allowed when the sum accrued does not amount to Rs. 5 half-yearly.

BILLS OF EXCHANGE, payable in the principal Cities of Europe, India, China, Africa, and Australia, purchased or collected.

DRAFTS are granted on the Head Office and Branches of the Bank and on the principal Cities of Europe, Africa, America, and Australia, Remittances may be made by telegram.

The Bank undertakes the purchase and sale of Government Securities, Stocks, and Shares, and receive, same for safe custody, realising Interest and Dividends when due.

LOANS and CASH CREDITS granted on approved Securities.

HARRY S. JOHNSTON,
Manager.

BOMBAY.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Paid up Capital .... $ 100,00,000
Sterling Reserve Fund .... $ 100,00,000
Silver Reserve Fund .... $ 117,50,000.
Reserve Liability of Proprietors ...... $ 100,00,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS AND HEAD OFFICE IN HONGKONG.

J. R. M. SMITH, *Chief Manager.*

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CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS.

Interest allowed at 2 per cent. per annum on Daily Balance of Rs. 1,000 to Rs. 1,00,000, provided the sum accrued amounts to Rs. 5 half-yearly.

FIXED DEPOSITS

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PUBLIC NOTIFICATIONS.

S. S. "WALTON HALL."

CONSIGNEES are requested TO TAKE DELIVERY of their CARGO from the DOCK. Chafed or Broken Packages must be Surveyed before removal from the Landing Shed. The Undersigned decline to Survey Goods removed to the Unclaimed Warehouse.

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KILLICK, NIXON & CO.,
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Messrs. EDWARD BATES and SONS' AGENCY,
Apollo Street,
BOMBAY, 17TH OCTOBER, 1907.

NOTICE.

THE PUBLIC are informed that on FRIDAY the 18th October, 1907, from 6 a.m., till 9.30 p.m., the APOLLO BANDER will be RESERVED for Police purposes.

This order is made under sub-section (4) of Section 23 of Bombay Act IV. of 1902, with the sanction of Government.

H. G. GELL,
Commissioner of Police.

BOMBAY, 12TH OCTOBER, 1907.

NOTICE.

THE PUBLIC are informed that on the occasion of the ARRIVAL of SIR GEORGE SYDENHAM CLARKE G. C. M. G., on the 18th instant, all Carriages should approach the Apollo Bandar by the Road passing in front of the Sailors' Home, up to 7-30 A. M., and after that time NO Carriages will be allowed on this Road.

After 7-30 A. M., Carriages will be allowed to proceed along Lansdowne Road from the Wellington Fountain, until stopped by the Police.

Ticket-holders to the Mandap (erected at the Apollo Bandar) are requested to be in their places by 7-35 A. M., punctually.

Owners of nervous horses are requested to send their carriages to a safe distance from the Saluting Battery.

The following Roads will be CLOSED for heavy traffic at the hours noted below, till the cortage has passed:—

Esplanade, Hornby, and Cruikshank Roads, from 7 A. M.

Kalbadevi, Bhendy Bazaar and Parel Roads, from 7-30 A. M.

Grant Road, from 8 A. M.

H. G. GELL,
Commissioner of Police.

HEAD POLICE OFFICE,
BOMBAY, 16TH OCTOBER 1907.

NOTICE.

GREAT INDIAN PENINSULA RAILWAY.

POONA RACES.

THE RACE SPECIAL TRAINS will, subject to the usual conditions, run from Victoria Terminus to Poona and back on SATURDAY, the 19th October, 1907.

The trains from Victoria Terminus will run to the following altered timings:—

2nd Class Special	Victoria Terminus,	Dep.	10-55
Do	Poona	Arr.	14-0
1st Class Special	Victoria Terminus,	Dep.	11-30
Do	Poona	Arr.	14-30

The Timings from Poona remain unaltered.

In case the number of passengers offering is insufficient to warrant both trains being run, only one train will run at 11-30 hours.

A. C. RUMBOLL,
Ag. General Traffic Manager.

BOMBAY, 18th October 1907.

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NOTICE is hereby given that the THIRTY-SIXTH ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the above Company will the held at the Registered Office of the Company, No. 3, Tamarid Lane, Fort, on Tuesday, the 29th day of October, 1907, at 3.30 P. M. (B. T.), to transact the following business, viz:—

1. To receive and adopt the Directors' Report and the audited Accounts and Balance Sheet for the year ending 31st August 1907;
2. To declare a Dividend;
3. To appoint two Directors in the room of those who retire by rotation, but are eligible for re-election.
4. To appoint an Auditor for the current year and to fix his remuneration; and
5. To transact such other business as may be brought before the meeting by the Chairman.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

મુળજી જેઠાની કુાં૦,

i.e., MOOLJEE JAITHA & CO.,
Secretaries and Treasurers.

N. B.—The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 21st to 29th October, 1907, both-days inclusive.

BOMBAY, 18TH OCTOBER, 1907.

NOTICE.

COMMENCING from TUESDAY, October 29th, the B. B. & C. I. Railway Company will RUN a TRAIN DE LUXE, every fortnight, until February 4th, to the following programme:—

TUESDAY.—Depart Bombay at 10-30 p. m. by special train.

WEDNESDAY.—Arrive Anand early morning, (Chota Hazri. Arrive Ahmedabad at 8-30 a. m., Breakfast at 9; Lunch at 2; and dinner at 8 p. m. Meals to be served in the Refreshment Room at Ahmedabad Station. Depart 10 p. m.

THURSDAY.—Arrive at Abu Road early in the morning. Drive in Tongas to Mount Abu, stay one night in Rajputana Hotel and return to Abu Road station for dinner on Friday.

FRIDAY.—Depart Abu Road at 10 p. m.

SATURDAY.—Arrive Ajmer at 7-45 a. m. and spend a day there. Depart at 9-30 p. m.

SUNDAY.—Arrive Udaipur at 7 a. m. and spend a day there. Depart at 10 p. m.

MONDAY.—Arrive at Jaipur early in the morning.

TUESDAY.—In Jaipur, visiting Amber.

WEDNESDAY.—Depart from Jaipur at 0-30 a. m. Arrive at Delhi at 8-30 a. m.

THURSDAY.—In Delhi.

FRIDAY.—Depart Delhi at 10 p. m.

SATURDAY.—Arrive Agra at 7-30 a. m.

Passengers by this train will be entirely independent of Hotels (except when they visit Mount Abu) and will be able to board, dine and sleep on the Train, which comprises sleeping compartments, bathrooms, Dining car, and luggage compartment, all fitted with electric light.

The train will halt at the places above mentioned during the day and move on during the night.

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THE SOUTHERN MAHRATTA SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE TWENTY-SIXTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the Southern Mahratta Spinning and Weaving Company, Limited, will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, Telephone Buildings, Bombay, on WEDNESDAY, the 30th October, 1907, at 3-30 P. M. (S. T.), for the purpose of transacting the following business:—

1. To receive and adopt the Directors' Report and Audited Balance Sheet for the year ended 30th June, 1907.
2. To Sanction the declaration of a Dividend.
3. To appoint a Director in place of one retiring.
4. To appoint Auditors for the ensuing year, and fix their remuneration.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 20th October to 30th October, 1907, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Directors,

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BOMBAY, 9TH OCTOBER, 1907.

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K	Firozi	2005	Watson		26-10	B & P S N Co
M	Shah Naway	2523	Baldoin	Jedda	24-10	The Shah S N Co
N	Umvolasi	1976	Keen	Middlesborough	23-10	R A Willes
O	Puri	643	Ahmed	N P		Bo S N Co
Q	Monsoori	1735	Henna	Jedda	18-10	B & P S N Co
	VICTORIA DOCK.					
7	Chyebassa	3991	Stevenson	Antwerp	24-10	M M & Co
6	Malta	3339	Peters	Shanghai	29-10	P & O Co
7	Naseri	1912	Lemiere	Busreh	19-10	B & P S N Co
9	Wildenfels	3559	Raising	K'chi	22-10	Glade & Co
10 & 11	City of York	4935	Wish	K'chi	26-10	K N & Co
12	Persia	4168	Haughton	London	26-10	P & O Co
	H W P D					
	Maharaji	547	Ahmed	Mangalore	18-10	B S N Co
	Ponani	542	Esmail	B'ngar	19-10	B S N Co
	H W P P					
	Courland	760	Ebrahim	G Ports	17-10	B S N Co
	H W V D					
	Linga	937	Rickford	K'chi	18-10	M M & Co

ARRIVALS.

Oct.	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
16	Linga s	Rickford	Karachi, Oct 14
17	R I M S Northbrook	Rose	Rangoon, Oct 7
	R I M S Dufferin	Berry	Aden, Oct 11
	Alcana s	Morgan	Calcutta, Oct 7
	Gerd s	Andreasen	Bangkok, Sept 26
	Walton Hall s	Leary	Liverpool, Sept 22

DEPARTURES.

Oct.	Vessel.	Commander.	From.
17	Consicliffe s	Pottinger	Hull, &c
	Dumra s	Hirst	Persian Gulf, &c
	Ischia s	Dini	Hongkong, &c
	Yeboshi Maru s	Knox	Kobe, &c

The following vessels began to load yesterday :—

Steamer City of York, for Liverpool, &c.

" Oriental, for Aden.

" Firoozi, for Jedah.

DAILY EXPORTS.—OCT. 17.

FOR LONDON.

Persia s—451 cwt myrabollams, H Govindji; 70 cwt cashewnuts, Baner and Kranse; 70 cases bristles, Nizamoodin and Co.

FOR MARSEILLES.

City of York s—1,000 tons manganese ore, Killick Nixon and Co.

Persia s—6,000 cwt linseed, Volkart Bros; 4,000 cwt linseed, L Dreyfus and Co; 3,250 cwt castorseed, Ralli Bros.

FOR HULL.

Consicliffe s—4,000 cwt castorseed, Ralli Bros.

FOR ANTWERP.

Chyebassa s—226 bales cotton, Ralli Bros; 485 bales cotton, Volkart Bros; 101 cwt cashewnuts, J Facheri; 2,001 cwt linseed, E D Sassoon and Co; 2,000 cwt linseed, L Dreyfus and Co; 52 bales twist, E D Sassoon and Co; 2,000 cwt linseed, Volkart Bros; 2,001 cwt linseed, 4,004 cwt mowraseed and 1,000 cwt poppyseed, E D Sassoon and Co; 4,000 cwt castorseed and 1,000 cwt poppyseed, Shaw Wallace and Co; 1,500 cwt mowra seed N Lalloobhai.

FOR HAMBURG.

Wildenfels s.—1,265 bales cotton, Bamji and Co; 228 bales cotton, Ralli Bros; 185 bales twist, Bombay General Trading Co; 243 bales twist, F F Campbell and Co; 40 bales twist, G Kelker and Co; 33 bales cotton J A Begbie and Co; 163 bales cotton and 13 bales cotton-pecking, W Wolf and Sons; 220 bales cotton F F Campbell and Co; 110 bales cotton E Spinner and Co; 660 bales cotton, Volkart Bros; 100 cwt cashewnuts, R Jewandas and Co; 112 bales twist, Ewart Latham and Co; 200 bales twist, J A Begbie and Co; 50 bales twists, N Futehally and Co; 150 bales twist, M M Essabhoy; 32 bales twist, C H Captain and Co; 100 bales twist, H M H Esmail and Co; 77 bales twist, Greaves Cotton and Co; 39 bales twist, E D Sassoon and Co; 50 bales cotton waste and 100 bales hemp, K Visram and Co; 281 bales hemp, R Reeve and Co: 665 bales cotton fly W Wolf and Sons, 301 bales cotton fly J C Todiwala, 360 bales hemp, P Bhimji, 1,800 cwt bonemeal, E C Nanji, 2,002 cwt myrabollams, G Madhowji and Co; 2,512 cwt myrabollams, W Becher; 5,000 cwt bran, L Dreyfus and Co; 9,994 cwt rapeseed, S G Ibuliana; 4,000 cwt rapeseed, 1,974 cwt linseed and 2,000 cwt fenugree Volkart Bros; 2,000 cwt rapeseed, L Dreyfus and Co; 501 cwt linseed, M B Kaisha; 4,000 cw poppyseed, 10,868 cwt rapeseed and 1,004 cwt linseed Ralli Bros; 1,000 cwt poppyseed, 5,000 cwt rapeseed, E D Sassoon and Co; 185 bales twist, N Cursetji and Co; 6,000 cwt bonemeal Croft, Mody and Co; 68 bales twist F F Campbell and Co; 251 cwt gum. G Sojpal, 152 bales hemp, E Oomersey, 10 bales hides Nizamoodin and Co.

FOR BREMEN.

Wildenfels s—220 bales cotton, F F Campbell and Co; 220 bales cotton, Volkart Bros; 228 bales cotton Ralli Bros, 50 balef hemp, K Visram and Co,

BOMBAY VOLUNTEER RIFLES.

REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY LIEUT.-COL. R. W. I. DUNLOP COMMANDING B. V. R.

Bombay, Oct. 18.

281. Detail for the week ending Saturday the 19th instant. To-day Friday the 18th—School of Arms, at the Y M C Association at 7 p m.

Saturday the 19th—" H " Coy Parade at 7-30 a m on company parade ground.

II—The Rifle Range at Ghat Koper is at the disposal of O C "F" Coy for Class firing.

Train leaves Vic. Terminus at 6 a. m.

283—Enrolments—The undernamed having been enrolled are taken on the strength and posted to " F " Company :—No 6158 Vol P McGuire, No 6159 Vol G Reynolds, No 6160 Vol T E Robson and No 6161 Vol A Menezes.

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Adjt. B. V. R.

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COMMERCIAL NEWS.

LONDON MARKETS.

London, *October* 16.] [Bombay, *October* 17.

FINANCIAL.

	Rates.	Plus.	Minus.
2½ per cent. Consols ...	82 5/8	1/16	
3 do. Rentes ...	94	un	chgd
3½ do. Sterling Loan ...	99 3/4	1/4	
3½ do. Govt. Securities ...	64 9/16	un	chgd
*Bar Silver in London ...	28 1/4	un	chgd
Do. do. 2 months' hence	28 1/2	un	chgd
Do. in New York ...	61 1/4	un	chgd
Exchange on London at Paris ...	25·12 1/2	un	chgd
Do. do. do. Berlin.	20·48	un	chgd
Do. do. do. New York.	4·86 1/8		1/8
Discount Bank of England Rate.	4 1/2	since	15Aug
Do. Short London Bills, 3 months' sight	4 1/4	1/8	
Do. Indian Bank Bills, 6 months' sight	4 3/8	un	chgd
Do. 3 Months' Fine Trade Bills ...	4 5/8	un	chgd
Do. 6 Months' Fine Trade Bills ...	4 7/8	un	chgd
Interest Day-to-day Loans ...	2 3/4	1/2	
Do. 7-day Market Loans	3	1/8	

Exchange on India, 30 days' sight (Bank's buying rate) ... ... 1s. 3⅞d.

*Closing tone of Silver—Quiet.

Council Bills :—

At the Periodical Biddings for Council Bills on India to-day for Rs. 30,00,000—

Rs.	19,60,000	were allotted to Calcutta.
"	7,30,000	" " to Bombay.
"	3 10,000	" " to Madras.
Rs.	30,00,000	at 1s. 3 31/32d.

Average rate of allotment. Calcutta and Bombay 15·96.

Total amount of Bills sold during the week ending Tuesday evening, including last Public Sales ... ... Rs. 30,00,000

Amount to be allotted next week... Rs. 30,00,000

EXTRA ALLOTMENTS :—

Bills on Bombay...Rs. 50,000 at 1s. 4d.

COTTON.

Liverpool—

Spots	Fair business
Futures	...Steady.
East Indian	...Quiet.
Manchester	...Steady.
Total Sales...	...10,000 bales
Sold on Speculation and for Export	...1,000 "
Imports	17,000 "
Mid-Americans	...6·49—11
Egyptian F. G. F. Brown ...	...10 unchgd.

Future Delivery Prices—

Oct.-Nov.	Nov.-Dec.	Dec.-Jan.	Jan.-Feb.
6·05	5·97	5·94	5·91
+02	+01	+01	unchgd

Feb.-Mar.	Mar.-Apl.	Apl.-May.	May-June	June-July
5·90	5·88	5·87	5·83	5·85
unchgd	—02	—02	—03	—03

New York—

Receipts at U. S. Ports ...	40,000	bales.
Do. do. last year...	45,000	"
Exports to Great Britain ...	19,000	"
Do. to Continent...	23,000	"

Spot Cotton—11·55 unchgd.

Futures—Month of Dec. 11·22+22

Do. do. of Mar. 10·81—03

Advanced owing to a talk of a corner being formed and to official weather reports considered unfavorable. The near months were affected by bull support and the distants through liquidation.

New Orleans :—

Spot Cotton.—11 3/8 unchanged.

Futures—Month of December ... 10·90+12

Do. do. January ... 10·88+10

Closing Tone of Futures.—Quiet.

WHEAT.

White Karachi choice, cif—43¼ Oct.-Nov.—London—Sellers—Canal.

SEEDS.

Rapeseed :—

Yellow Gujurat, per 416 lbs. 85o/o ex-ship 57¼ Mar.—Apl.—Antwerp—Sellers—Canal.

Yellow Cawnpore per 416 lbs., 85o/o ex-ship 56¼ Apr-May. H A and D'nominal Canal.

Brown Cawnpore 55¾ April-May—Antwerp—Sellers—Canal.

Tone of Rapeseed.—Firm.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Coffee—

In New York Fair Rio (No. 7 quality), 6⅜ —⅛

Sugar :—

German granulated Sugar, double bags, C. and F India, 12s.

Months of Shipment Nov.-Dec. Sellers.

Tone of Sugar—Quiet.

Rubber—

Para Rubber 4s. 2½d. Buyers.

Beef and Mutton Tallow—

Finest Australian Beef Tallow ...	35s.
" " Mutton Tallow ...	36s.
General tone of Tallow Auction ...	Firm.

BOMBAY MARKETS.

Thursday Evening.] [17th October, 1907.

FINANCIAL.

Money :—

The Bank of Bengal cash balance is Rs. 90 lacs down. The withdrawals are probably only temporary and are due to local requirements for the Doorga Pooja Holidays.

Exchange :—

The Market has been steadier to-day. Rates opened at 1-3 15-16 T. T. and 1-3 31-32 for Demand Bank Bills, but 1-32 better was soon available in both positions. For delivery at the end of the month 1-4 T. T. could be done and from the 11th November 1-4 1-32 T. T. was available. The credit rate also was firmed and Bills could only be placed at 1-4 7-32 3 months' sight for the mail. Far Eastern rates are much steadier and close firm as under.

We quote :—

T. T. on London ...	1s. 3 31/32d.
Demand Draft ...	1s. 4
Credits—3 months' sight...	1s. 4 7/32d.
Do. 6 months' sight...	1s. 4 13/32d.
Do. 3 months' sight—Francs	170
Do. 3 months' sight—Marks	139
Hongkong—30 days' sight...	153
Yokohama—30 days' sight ...	151
Shanghai—30 days' sight ...	204 1/2

Government Paper :—

The Market opened at 97 ready and 96 15-16 for the settlement. There were sellers in the morning and quotations temporarily fell 1-16 when it became known that the Bank on Bengal cash balance was down, but later on rates recovered to the opening quotations. Calcutta Market is buoyant, their rates being advised as 97 1/16 ready and 96 13/16 for delivery forward in a month.

We quote :—

Cash	Rs. 97·0
1st Settlement	" 96·15

Bullion :—

On Wednesday the London Bar silver market closed unchanged and steady at 28 1-4 ready and 28 1-2 for two months' forward, New York being also unchanged at 61 1-4. Locally a better feeling has prevailed and quotations close 1-4 up. Ready bars opened at 72 5-16 ex-duty, closing at 72 9-16. Forward rates are as under. Bar Gold is unchanged.

We quote :—

	Rs.	a.	p.
English Bar Gold	24	2	0
Australian Bar Gold	24	1	0
Bombay Bar Gold	24	0	0
English Shield Sovereigns ...	15	0	0
English Dragon Sovereigns ...	15	0	0
Silver ex Duty—Ready ...	72	9	0
Ditto 1st Settlement ...	72	9	0
Ditto 2nd " ...	72	7	0

COTTON.

Market Report :—

The market was pactically closed yesterday, but business was done by exporters in Oomras and Khandeish.

To-day the market is steady at some advance on yesterday's prices and shippers are again buyers of Oomras and Khandeish. Business is reported at and about our quotations. The market closes slightly easier.

In ready cotton a small business was put through at Colaba. Prices are steady.

NEW CROP.

QUOTATIONS :—

	Rs.	Delivery.
Fine M. G. Broach............	282/83	March 08.
Good M. G. Broach	273/74	"
Fine " Nagpur Kampti...	240/41	January 08
" " Damangaum-Pulgaum ...	235	"
" " Khangaum-Akola	228/29	"
" " Amraoti	228/29	"
" " Muttia	214	"
F.G.M.G. Khandesh ...	209/10	"
Fine M. G. Khandesh ...	217	"
" " Bengals ...	213	"
F. G. H. G. "	201	"

Liverpool Opener :—

Opening Tone	firm.
Estimated Sales	10,000 bales.
Total Imports	......

Future Delivery Prices :—

O. N.	N.-D.	D.-J.	J.-F.	F.-M.
6·08	6·00	5·97	5·94	5·93

+03

M.-A.	A.-M.	M.-J.	J.-J.
5·90	5·89	5·88	5·87

+02

MISCELLANEOUS.

Linseed :—

The market is quiet with little doing and we quote :—

Ready ... ... Rs.	8	4	0
December ... ... "	8	12	6
New Crop April-May ... "	8	14	0

Rapeseed :—

Is also quiet and rates are slightly easier. We quote :—

Brown Cawnpore... ... ... Rs.	9	11	0
Yellow Guzerat ... ... "	10	11	0

Gingellyseed :—

The market is quiet but steady as under, with little or nothing doing.

Bold White 85 p. c. ... ... Rs.	59	8	0
" " 75 p. c.... ... "	58	0	0
Black Kutni ... ... "	49	8	0

Poppyseed :—

Rs. 12 2 0

Tone—Firm.

castorseed :—

Rs. 39 8 0

Tone—Steadier.

Cottonseed :—

Rs. 23 0 0

Tone—Steady.

GROUNDNUTS :—

The market is easier, but there is little doing We quote :—

January-Feby. ... Rs. 48 0 0

Mowraseed :—

Rs. 5 13 0 R. T.

Tone—Steady.

Wheat :—

New White Delhi, Apl.-May. ...Rs. 5 14 6

Tone—Steady.

THE SHARE MARKET.

Banks :—	
Bombay	1380
India	62
Indian Specie Bank	47 to 47 1/2
Mills :—	
David	335
Kohinoor	720
Maneckji Petit	3,050
Miscellaneous :—	
Central India Mining	535
Colaba Land and Mill	1,005
Marcks and Co	135
Shivrajpur Mining Syndicate.	50 1/2
Treacher and Co	570
Railways :—	
Ahmedabad-Prantej	570
Tapti-Valley	455

RECEIPTS.

The following are the receipts of Cotton and Produce into Bombay during the 24 hours ended at 6 p. m. yesterday :—

Cotton	936	bales.
Wheat	9,035	cwts.
Linseed	3,075	"
Rapeseed	188	"
Gingellyseed	1,505	"
Poppyseed	142	"
Groundnuts	4,259	"
Castorseed	1,185	"
Rice	2,446	"
Myrabollams	359	"
Cottonseed	202	"
Mowraseed	6,490	"
Gram	1,252	"
Joowar	12,515	"
Maize	Nil	"

KARACHI FREIGHTS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

KARACHI, October 17.

Utter stagnation has been the feature of our freight market this week as, although the price of wheat has receded slightly from the highest point reached, the prices here are merely nominal, it being impossible to buy any quantity. Shippers complain again of small arrivals and the difficulty in getting wagons at up-country stations to bring down the produce which has been awaiting transport for weeks if not months. The uncertainty as to when the stuff will ultimately reach Karachi precludes shippers from securing freight even for produce already bought and necessitates a hand-to-mouth policy. Consequently no forward business has been done at all this week. The Ellerman line filled up the City of Madras with 300 tons for London at 11s. and the Worsley Hall 250 tons for Birkenhead at 7s. 8d.

UNDELIVERED TELEGRAMS.

The following is the list of Messages remaining undelivered in the Central Telegraph Office, Bombay :—

Fazilka, Jethalal Chhojuram; Dudhni, Revasanker Kasiram; Cutch Mv, Kayesth Mehta Laxmidas Jeram, Vadgadi; Karachi, Ranji Kunsraj, care of Dayal Danji Danabunder; Belgaum, Mahagonkar Mandvi; Sowcarpete, Vins Bagdy; Jamnagar, Hirabai, care of Ada Suleman, Gowali Mola; Hathras, Muinger; Alahabad, Baldcoshai Hiralall Darabazar Tamakata; Rangoon, Manager W. Co.; Surat, Taluction; Indore, Miss Goodfellow Maidens; Malgund, Venayak Dkapre Municipality; Tandur, Hajeinapi, care of Haltadiges; Bikanir, Sabasiz Tosabasukh Gambhurchand; Calcutta, Cockdurns, s. Devanba.

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

The Charge for Announcements of Births, Marriages, Deaths, and Memoriam Notices which must be authenticated by the name and address of the senders, is Rs. 2 for six lines or less, and 8 as. for every additional line. Cash strictly in Advance.

HYDERABAD.

DEATH.

IYER—October 14, at Hyderabad, (Deccan), Shrinath Alamelu Ammal, the beloved wife of Mr. S. Kalyanarama Iyer, Vakil, H. H. Nizam's High Court of Judicature, passed away peacefully at 5 p.m. aged 27.

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

BIRTHS.

CATTELL—October 12, at 5, Humayon Place, Calcutta, the wife of W. N. B. Cattell, of Madaripur, of a son.

GIDNEY—October 7, at Bareilly, the wife of Bandmaster, W. F. Gidney, 1st R. S. F. of a son.

STUART—October 11, at Mussoorie, the wife of Sergt.-Major Stuart, The Royal Dragoons, of a daughter.

SMITH—October 14, at Madras, the wife of Mr. E. D. Smith, of a daughter.

MARRIAGE.

CHANNELL—ATKINSON—October 11, at St. Thomas Church, Dehra Dun, by the Rev. E. W. Peake, Nelly, Constance Atkinson, to Edgar C. Channell, Electrical Department, Jammu and Kashmir State.

DEATHS.

DE RUSETT—October 13, at Agra, Edith, the wife of the Rev. E. D. de Rusett.

SOUTHEY—October 9, at Chaman, Baluchistan, Alec John Robertson, youngest child of Colonel and Mrs. R. Southey, aged 1 year 8 months.

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BOMBAY.

TO-DAY.

Sun rises, 6h. 33m.; Sun sets, 6h. 15m.; High water, 9 59m., 9-38a.; Low water, 2-37m., 3-30a.

Arrival of Sir George Sydenham Clarke, Governor-Designate, Apollo Bunder, 7-55 a.m.

P. and O. steamer "Oriental," with English mails of 4th inst., due to arrive at 7. a.m.

Dinner at Government House, Malabar Point.

Excelsior Cinematograph, Esplande.

Phases of the Moon.—Oct. 21st. Full Moon, 2h. 46-5m. p m.; Oct., 29th, Last Quarter, 7h 21-5m.p.m. Oct., 28th, in Apogee, 2-7h. p.m.

THE WEEK'S CALENDAR.

Saturday, October 19.—Bombay Gymkhana Mounted Sports. Sun rises, 6h. 34m. Sun sets, 6h. 14m. High water, 9-54m., 10-22a.; Low water, 3-32m. 4-2a.

Sunday, October 20.—21st Sunday after Trinity. Sun rises, 6h. 34m.; Sun sets, 6h. 14m.; High water, 10-34m., 11-5a.; Low water, 4-17m., 4-42a.

Monday, October 21.—New Pachora Manufacturing Company, 1 Bruce Lane, 4-39 p. m. Jalgaon Manufacturing Company, 1 Bruce Lane, 5-9 p.m. Hyderabad Spinning and Weaving Company, 3 Tamarind Lane, 4 p. m. Bombay Sanitary Association: lecture on Phthisis by Sir Bhalchandra Krishna, Framji Hall, 5-45 p. m. Bombay High Court vacation. Sun rises, 6h. 34m. Sun sets, 6h. 13m. High water, 11-11m., 11-44a. Low water, 4-56m., 6 14a.

Tuesday, October 22.—Evening Entertainment to Nawab Syed Hoosain Bilgrami, Member, India Council, Anjuman-Islam Hall, 9-30 p. m. Sun rises, 6h. 35m.; Sun sets, 6h. 12m.; High water, 11-46 m. Low water, 5-32m., 5-45a.

Wednesday, October 23.—Municipal Standing Committee, 4-9 p. m. Sun rises, 6h. 35m.; Sun sets, 6h. 12m.; High water, 0-21m., 0-19a.; Low water, 6-7m., 6-14a.

Thursday, October 24.—Sun rises, 6h. 35m. Sun sets 6h. 11m. High water, 0-56m., 0-50a.; Low water, 6-41m., 6-48a.

A Hindu Fair.—The annual fair at Gowalia Tank Road, Bombay, commences to-day and lasts for six days

Postal Notice.—Mails for Mauritius, and Reunion via Tuticorin and Colombo will be closed at the General Post Office at 7-30 p.m. to-morrow 19th instant. A supplimental Mail will also be closed at 6-30 p.m., on Sunday the 20th instant.

Fatal Street Accident.—Daribai (60), a Mahomedan woman, was accidentally knocked down and run over by a hack victoria in Falkland Road, Bombay, on the 13th instant. She was removed to the J. J. Hospital, whereshe died on Wednesday.

Fete at Bandra.—The members of the Bandra Literary and Social Catholic Association have organized a Fete to be held in the grounds of St. Stanislaus' Institution, Hill Road, Bandra, on Sunday, the 20th instant, at 7 p.m. (Standard Time) in aid of the Building Fund for a Public Hall at Bandra.

Accident at Pydhowni.—Yesterday afternoon a tin of kerosene oil accidentally caught fire in the shop of a grocer, named Harichand Jagannath, at Pydhowni, Bombay. Three Mahomedan children, who were in the shop, were more or less severely burnt and removed to J. J. Hospital for treatment.

Music at Watson's Annexe.—The National Band will play the following programme of music at Watson's Annexe to-day, 18th instant (Guest night).

March	Under the Banner of Victory	Blon
Overture	Chevalier Breton	Herman
Valse	La Fascination	Pecorini
Selection	San Toy	S Jones
Cake Walk	Whistling Rufus	K Mills
Dance Characteristic	Dinah's Jubilee	Kaps
Galop	Burlesque	Roeder

A Restive Horse.—On Wednesday evening a horse belonging to Mr. P. H. Dastur bolted from the compound of a bungalow in Gowalia Tank Road, Bombay, ran to the Walkeshwar Road and got into the Government House grounds. While running along Walkeshwar Road it knocked down Gunner Thomas Black, No. 70 Company, R. G. A., who was proceeding on a bicycle. The machine was damaged, but the rider escaped unhurt.

Fighting Plague.—A meeting of Mill hands will be held on Sunday the 20th instant at 6 p.m. (B. T.) at the premises of Messrs. Greaves, Cotton and Co.'s Mills, De Lisle Road, when Dr. Turner, Honorary Secretary and Treasurer of the Bombay Sanitary Association will, with the help of magic lantern, explain to a large audience of Mill hands the necessary preventive measures to be adopted during the prevalence of plague in the City. Mr. A. K. Leslie has kindly consented to preside at the meeting.

Poisoning a Pilgrim.—Mahomed Hassanali, a native of Bangal, who recently arrived in Bombay with the view of proceeding to Mecca on a pilgrimage, was arrested yesterday by the Bombay Police for attempting to murder a Mahomedan woman, named Chandbee, also a pilgrim. It appears that the parties lived in a house in Temkar Line. On Wednesday afternoon Mahomed went to the woman's room and found that she was unwell. Seeing three other pilgrims in attendance on her he pretended to know something about medicine and offered to treat her. The offer was accepted and he asked one of the men present to bring some rosewater. This was brought and Mahomed gave her three draughts to drink. A few hours later she grew worse and complained of pain in the stomach. Fearing she was suffering from cholera her friends called the police who took her to the J. J. Hospital. There it was found that she was suffering from arsenic poisoning. The accused was subsequently arrested and on making a search the police found on him some quantity of white arsenic. They also recovered from him a sum of Rs. 43, which was missed from under the pillow of the woman. As Chandbee's condition was yesterday pronounced to be precarious, her deposition was taken down by Mr. C. H. Setalwad, the Third Presidency Magistrate.

EPISODE IN A HOLKAR HOUSEHOLD.

Yesterday in the Appeal Court the Hon. Mr. Justice Chandavarkar and the Hon. Mr. Justice Knight disposed of the appeal of Shankar *alias* Sakaram Trimbak Kale, and his brother Krishna, both of whom had been convicted of criminal breach of trust, forgery and abetment; and each sentenced by Mr. W. T. W. Dakar, Sessions Judge of Ahmednagar, to three years rigorous imprisonment, and to a fine of Rs. 3,000, or in default of payment of fine to six months' additional imprisonment of a like description, the sentences to run consecutively. Mr. D. B. Binning with Mr. K. H. Kelkar, appeared for the accused. Mr. M. B. Chaubal, Government Pleader, appeared for the Crown.

With these two accused, two other men were charged as their associates (but they were acquitted by the Judges) in cheating a Dhangar girl named Radhabai, (19), who was brought, when quite young, into the household of the late Sir Kashirao Holkar and brought up as one of the family, shortly before Kashirao's death on 9th May 1902. Sir Kashirao was related to the ruling family at Indore, and he bequeathed to her the ornaments of one of his former women, and some thousands of rupees. The facts were full of perplexities owing to the complexity of incidents in the case. About eighty witnesses had been cited, and had not the defence abandoned the idea of calling up some of them, the bulk of the record would have swollen higher than now; although, as it was at present, it loomed very large in proportion to other cases. The two accused were clerks in Kashirao's household: there was delay in giving up Radha's portion. Ultimately in the presence of Rao Bahadur Nanakchand, C. I. E., Dewan of Indore, Rs. 15,000 were paid to Radha, who made them over to the two accused for safe custody, on leaving the Dewan's office. The accused had, later, forged a valuable security, viz. an acquittance for Rs. 15,000, as if Radha had received the whole amount from them. She was taken to the Sub Registrar, who asked her: "Have you executed this receipt for Rs. 15,000?" She was an illiterate girl, and believing that she was going to receive the full amount which she had deposited with the accused, she replied "Yes." In reply to the Judge, the Sub Registrar said that he was not bound under the rules to explain to Radha the nature of the document, nor to call her attention to the fact that this was a document or acquittance, by which she was deprived of her all-in-all, in point of her monetary possessions. The Sessions Judge commented that in not eliciting further information, the Sub Registrar had shown a lamentable lack of common-sense. The other question of her having made a deed of gift for Rs. 2,000 in favour of the first accused was also answered by her in the affirmative. If the first accused was the moving spirit, remarked the Judge, the second was no less guilty; for he it was who wrote the false accounts and dictated the false documents which the first accused got executed.

The Judges of the Appeal Court upheld the convictions; but altered the sentences in so far as to make them run " concurrently," instead of " consecutively," as ordered by the Judge.

DEPARTURE OF THE TRANSPORT "DONGOLA."

The hired transport Dongola, Captain E. R. Dowell, will sail to-day for Southampton, with details consisting of 55 officers, 29 ladies, 23 children, 19 warrant officers, 9 women, and 20 children 1,350 non-commissioned officers, and men, 68 women, 106 children, 12 insanes, and 7 prisoners.

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THE CITY MORTALITY.

The Municipal Office returns for the twenty-four hours ending at 6 a. m., yesterday, give the following results :—

Wards.	Plague. Attacks.	Plague. Deaths.	Deaths from all Causes.
A Upper, Middle and Lower Colaba, Fort Northern, Fort Southern and Esplanade	0	0	2
B Mandvi, Chukla, Oomerkhadi and Dongri	0	0	16
C Market, Dhobi Talao Fanaswadi, Bhuleshwar, Khara Talao, and Kumbharwada	0	0	10
D Khetwadi, Girgaum, Chowpati, Walkeshwar and Mahaluxmi	0	0	13
E Mazagon, Tarwady, 2nd Nagpada, Kamatipura, Tardeo, Byculla and 1st Nagpada	1	0	17
F Parel, Sewree and Sion	0	0	5
G Mahim and Worli	0	0	10
Water Division	0	0	2
Non-Resident and Unknown	0	0	0
Hospitals	0	0	11
Total	1	0	86
Total plague deaths to date .. 141,109			
Same date last year	4	5	111

CHOLERA.

Attack.	Deaths.
4	4

THE RAT CAMPAIGN.

The following table shows the results of the rat campaign :—

OCTOBER, 15th 1907.

Ward.	Alive.	Dead.	Found Infected.
A	89	53	0
B	118	165	11
D	59	93	0
D	85	42	0
E	104	79	0
F & G	71	4	0
Total to date	526	435	11
Total rats killed			961

LEGAL INTELLIGENCE.

HIGH COURT.

ACQUITTED OF SERIOUS CHARGES.

In the Appeal Court yesterday the Hon. Mr Justice Chandavarkar and the Hon. Mr. Justice Knight disposed of an appeal in which Sadashiv Bhojraj, a Sub-Inspector of Police; Punamchand Bhikha Johori, a dealer in horses; and Kalu Parashram Deccani, a domestic servant, were concerned. Accused were convicted by Mr. H. S. Phadnis, Sessions Judge of Khandesh, of committing burglary in the house of Sundrabai Shimpi, wife of a Police Constable name Garbad, on the night of the 30th May last, in Wadgaon, Taluka Shahda, and of assaulting the woman. The first two were sentenced each to 18 months' rigorous imprisonment, and to a fine of Rs. 200, while No. 3 got one year's rigorous imprisonment. Mr. D. Chamier, with the Hon. Mr. D. A. Khare, appeared for the accused. Mr. M. B. Chaubal, the Government Pleader, appeared for the Crown.

The story for the prosecution was that the woman lived with her husband in the Police Lines, in which Havildar Umrao and Constable Damu also lived in other rooms. The first accused ordered Garbad to go to Aslod on Police service: before going, he brought down an elderly Bhil woman, Kamli, who was also the wife of a Constable, to keep his wife company. At midnight there were knocks at the door; the door was afterwards lifted out of its socket, the chain gave way, and the three offenders entered. When the woman Sundra raised cries the trio threw her down and maltreated her, especially the first accused. Her husband returned the next morning and was very angry on hearing of the burglary and of his wife's ill-treatment. He lodged a complaint with Umrao, and went to make a report of the occurence to Mr. Bapatt, the Superintendent of Police. When Mr. Bapatt came to make enquiries, she disclosed to him the incident of the burglary; out for fear and shame, as she expressed it, did not tell him anything about the assault.

The first accused's defence was that he was 40 years of age, for 18 of which he had been in the service. At this time of his life he must have known better than loafing about at midnight and committing burglaries with two other persons, and assaulting women. All this was a cock-and-bull story, concocted to satisfy a grudge the woman and her husband had against him for not getting the latter transferred to another Police post, as that could not be done until a certain period had elapsed under the rules.

No. 2 said he had advanced to the woman Rs. 20 when she lost her first husband; he went to demand the money from her, and owing to the quarrel occasioned at the time, she had raked up this story.

No. 3 protested his innocence.

The Sessions Judge believed the story for the prosecution, and sentenced the accused.

The Appeal Court Judges listened to the arguments of Mr. Chamier, and of the Government Pleader. Mr. Justice Chandavarkar pronounced judgment on the appeal. His Lordship said that there was reasonable doubt as to the guilt of the accused. The Judges had read the evidence carefully, which the Sessions Judge had admitted to be full of discrepancies. Nearly every witness stood discredited by the fact that he had given different versions at different times. The woman's conduct was full of inconsistencies, in face of the fact that there was evidence of No. 1 being laid up with fever at the time. At best, it was a matter of suspicion: but for purposes of conviction, satisfactory evidence was required. The only conclusion that could be arrived at on the evidence was that it was open to serious doubt. Differing, therefore, from the Sessions Judge, their lordships acquitted the accused, and directed that the fines, if paid, be refunded to them.

INSOLVENT DEBTORS' COURT.

The Hon. Mr. Justice Russell presided at a sitting of the Court yesterday.

RE MIRZA AHMED SHIRAZI.

Mr. Ardasir Kapadia, for the insolvent, applied for and obtained the usual interim order.

RE MOSES SOLOMON BORGAONKAR.

Mr. Mankar, for the insolvent, applied for an interim order.

Mr. Rustom Wadia, for an opposing creditor, said that the insolvent had filed a most vexatious suit against his client, who was a trustee of the new Beni-Israel Synagogue. That suit was dismissed and the insolvent was ordered to pay the costs.

Mr. Manker said that the insolvent was the treasurer of the Synagogue, and he had filed the suit with the consent of some of the members of the community; but as there were two factions in the community, the present difficulty had arisen.

His Lordship, after hearing the argument of counsel, refused the application for an interim order.

RE KURSANDAS JAIRAM AND ANOTHER.

Mr. Bhandarker, on behalf of the insolvent, applied for and obtained one month's extension of the interim order.

RE IBRAHIM BAVLA MISTRI.

Mr. Pradhan, for the insolvent, applied for extension of the time for filing the schedule. His lordship granted the application.

RE BUTTONJI SORABJI MUNSHI.

Mr. Ardasir Kapadia, on behalf of the insolvent, applied for and obtained one month's extension of the interim order.

RE MANCHAND LALBHOY AND ANOTHER.

Mr. Manker, for the insolvent, applied for and obtained two months' extension of the interim order.

RE FRAMJI NANABHOY DAWAR.

Mr. Manker, on behalf of the insolvent, applied for two months' extension of the interim order, with leave to serve notices on two of the creditors who had remained unserved. His Lordship granted the application.

DISCHARGES.

The following insolvents received their discharges:—Albert James Rushton; Mowji Haridas Thakar; Hirji Shamji Thaker; Ibrahim Golam Hussein Dwoodi Borah; Gopinath Vinayek Talpade; William Tyler; Runchod Kesorelal; Percy Edward Hogan; Jainudin Abas Gonda; Purshotam Bhogilal Sha; Vasudev Vinayek Sinagiri; Sayed Fateh Mahomed Jan Mahomed; Manekji Bejanji Khajotia; Jairam Manek Mantri; Karunashankar Jivanram Brahamin; Herbert Mayne; Jainarayen Meghraj Marwari; Jehangir Dosabhoy Mody and another; and Ana Baburao Bhandarker.

CLAIM FOR ENHANCED RENT.

In the High Court yesterday the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Chandavarkar and the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Knight disposed of, in Second Appeal, a suit instituted by one Bhau and others, original defendants and appellants, against Balambhat, the original plaintiff and respondent. Mr. K. H. Kelkar appeared for the appellants, and Mr. Dandekar represented the respondent. Plaintiff sued to recover from the defendants enhanced rent of certain land and alleged that he was Inamdar, and defendants Mirasdars. The land is capable of fetching more rent and defendants having refused to pay enhanced rent, this suit was brought. The original suit was decided by the Sub-Judge of Satara, who held that plaintiff had established his right to enhance the rent according to the customary law of the country, and defendants had failed to show that their tenure had differed from the tenure of the ordinary Mirasdars. He therefore gave a decree in favour of the plaintiff. In appeal, the District Judge of Satara varied the decree of the Court of first instance. Against this decree an appeal was admitted in the High Court, and Their Lordships observed that the District Judge had misunderstood the first issue, in supposing that what was intended by it was whether plaintiff was entitled to enhance the rent. As held in I. L. R. 3 Bombay 144, their Lordships said that an Inamdar was entitled to enhance the assessment in the case of land held by his Mirasdar. Their Lordships therefore reversed the decree of the District Judge and restored that of the Sub-Judge.

MURDER OF TWO NAIKINS BY THEIR PRIEST.

Yesterday in the Appeal Court the Hon. Mr. Justice Chandavarkar and the Hon. Mr. Justice Knight heard the confirmation-case, in which sentence of death had been passed on a young Brahmin named Parshotham, *alias* Nana Waman Mulekar, for killing two Bombay Naikins named Gangabai Nagpurkar, and her daughter Gayabai, on 16th May last, by flinging them down from the ramparts of the Kolaba Fort at Alibag. The unfortunate women were robbed of their ornaments before they were thrown: their bodies were dashed on the rocks below, and subsequently, it was surmised, additional injuries must have been inflicted on their body to make sure of their life having been put an end to beyond a doubt. Accused was the priest of the women in Bombay, and he took them to Alibag on the pretence of finding a miraculous cure in the holy waters at Alibag, for an ailment which one of them had been suffering from for some time past. The case was reported in these columns when the accused was arrested and placed before a Magistrate in Bombay who ordered him to be taken to Alibag for trial. The bodies were found by some fishermen and villagers: a clue to the identity of the victims was obtained from a man with whom the deceased had conversation before the perpetration of the crime: clue to the offender was also obtained and proceedings instituted for his arrest and for the making of inquiries in Bombay, and for his being brought down to Kolaba for trial. Accused was tried before Mr. H. L. Hervey, Additional Sessions Judge in Thana, who sentenced him to death. Mr. Hervey was of opinion that the fact of the two women being killed at the same time, detached considerably from the probability of death being due to accidental falling over the dizzy heights of the rampart: it was unlikely that both fell one after the other through the opening of the parapet, even assuming that the occurrence took place in the dark.

Questioned by the judiciaries concerned in the inquiry, the accused had given replies on the incident. He said he had gone to the house of the two women in Thakurdwar Road, Bombay, to officiate as priest. It was true he had got some gold weighed at the "Standard Scales," on the 24th May: he had sold some articles to Balkrishna Sonar. He could not properly remember whether some gold was melted for him by Moreshwar: he could not recall to his mind who he got the gold ornaments from, as he had so many " yajmans" or laics, who gave such things to him.

Before the Appeal Court Judges accused was represented by Mr. Branson, with Mr. G. S. Rao: Mr. M. B. Chaubal, the Government Pleader, appeared for the Crown.

Mr. Justice Chandavarkar pronounced the judgment of the Appeal Court. He said that the accused's answers in the statement taken down before the Sessions Court left no doubt that the evidence for the prosecution was true; the explanation of the circumstances, in which the women were run to death, was clear in that both of them were pushed forward by the accused, and they fell on the rocks below. Accused then did them to death. The conviction for murder, and the sentence of death upon the accused, were confirmed.

UNSTAMPED UNDERTAKING.

In the High Court yesterday the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Chandavarkar and the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Heaton disposed of, in Second Appeal, a suit intituted by one Prabhulal Harilal and another, original plaintiffs and appellants, against Bai Hari and another, original defendants and respondents. The suit is primarily based on an unstamped undertaking to pay, which is said to have been signed by the defendant. It was originally tried by the Subordinate Judge of Borsad, before whom the plaintiff submitted that the document was an agreement coming under article 5 of the Schedule to the Indian Stamp Act. The Sub-Judge raised the issue whether the document was a promissory note or an agreement under the Indian Stamp Act. After recording the evidence, he held that the undertaking was a promissory note and not a bond, and that it was inadmissible in evidence, being unstamped. In appeal, the then District Judge of Ahmedabad, Mr. (now the Hon'ble Mr. Justice) Knight, set aside the decree of the Lower Court, and remanded it for disposal according to law. After quoting the definition of the bond and promissory note in the Stamp Act and Negotiable Instruments Act, respectively, he had agreed with the Lower Court that the undertaking in question had more of the nature of a promissory note and, being unstamped, the refusal to admit it in evidence was therefore correct. The learned District Judge observed that it did not, however, follow that the suit must fail. Although unable to prove this acknowledgement of the debt, plaintiffs are "entitled to fall back upon the consideration and to prove the existence of the debt from other sources." In 2 Bombay L. R. 25, it is laid down that the holder of a bill or note, which is defective and inadmissible in evidence for want of a stamp, may still sue on the consideration the person to whom he gave it, though he cannot use the bill in support of his suit. Against the order of the District Judge an appeal was admitted in the High Court, and their Lordships, after reviewing the evidence, held that the order of remand was correct. The decree of the Lower Court was therefore confirmed with costs.

HIGH COURT.—OCT. 18.

Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Russell.

For Consent Decree.

419-07—Mulla and M—Karimbibi widow vs Lallibai widow and others—Tyabjee D and Co.

638-07—F P Pavri Abdul Rahim Saleh Mahomed vs Peshunbai alias Kurshedbi and others—Mehta and S and M and D

For Decree Absolute.

322-06—Mulji and K—Parul Peer Mahomed vs Sowlaram Mahadev and another—Shamrao M and H.

Suits for hearing and final disposal.

Long Causes.

857-05—Jehangir G and B—Harichand Jetha vs Salat Trikum Jugjivan and another Unwalla and P Part heard

242-06—N B Vakil Bai Fatmabai widow vs Gulam Hoosein and others—Jehangir G and B Part heard

185-06—Hemlal and T—The Advocate General of Bombay vs Lallubhai Pranvulubhdas and others—Captain and V

189-06—Mulji and K—Rustonji Eduljì Shroff vs Ebrahim Kaderbhoy Jehangir and S

830-05—Matubhai J and M Balchand Shamdas and others vs Ramji Nabadsha and others Jehangir G and B

11-06—Jehangir G and B Ramji Motichand and firm vs Motilal Kanji and another Daphtary F and D

131-06—Nana H and Co—Haji Abdulla Haji Joosub vs Valli Mahomed Hassan Crawford B and Co

324-07—Ardeser H D and Co—Dorabji Jamsetji Tata and another vs Moledina Oomer Mehta and D

430-07—In person—Jamnabai widow vs H A H Payne and others—Payne and Co

437-07—J R and D—H M Satia and Co vs Saturbhai Ranaji Mulji and K

439-07—Mulla and M—Haroon Tarmahomed vs Moosa Haji Joonus and others—Matubhai J and M—S M and H.

456-07—S A Tyabji—Ramchund a Nagabhat vs Narayen Vatjappa Bhundary and another—R B and N.

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Davar.)

Summary Suit for hearing in Chambers.

522-07—Raghavaya B and N—Munshi Din Mahomed Sikan Mahomed Sirkar vs Kasuriddin Sarkar and others.

For Consent Decree.

300-06—Dikshit and D and S—Kali Alli Miya Abdul Latif and another vs Kazi Esmail bin Mahomed Miya and others Mulla and M.

For Further directions and costs on Special Commissioner's Report.

1-07—Hiralal and Co—Ebrahim Cassum Gowli and others vs Toolsidas Dharamay—Shamrao M and H

Testimentary Suit.

15-06—Matubhoy J and M—Vejbai widow vs Jamnabai widow—Wadia G and Co—part heard

Long Cause.

438-06—Hiralal and Co.—Nagardas Pitamber and another vs. Pitamber Vandravan and others—S. A. Tyabji.

Testamentary Suit

275-07—Pestonji B and K—Asfandear Karkhushroo Maherban Irani Ardeser Meherbai Irani Nanu H and Co

For Determination of Certain Questions

644-06—Little and Co—Advocate-General of Bombay (appellant) vs Thomas Joseph Strangman and others—(Respondents) Smetham B and Co—Little and Co—J G and B and O and M

For taking Evidence.

633-07—Bhaishanker K and G—Yeshivant Ramnath vs Sadanand Shri Krishnaji and others—Khunderao L and M and Mirza, M and M

Long Cause.

86-07—Bicknell M and R—Sukhdeodas Meghraj and others vs Dinshawji Burjorji Vania and others—Ardeshir H Dand Co

(Before the Hon. Mr. Justice Beaman)

Motions.

Suits for hearing and final disposal.

Long Cause.

427-06—Tyabji D and Co—The Advocate General of Bombay vs Dayabhai Tapidas Chitale and M—Part heard

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THE NEW GOVERNOR.

WE welcome the new Governor to-day, but we fear we should rather commiserate with, than congratulate him on his appointment to Bombay. He will not find the duties of his new office so congenial as those of the post he has just relinquished, or that so many opportunities for the exercise of his undoubtedly great intellectual powers will present themselves. Compared with the task he has just completed on the Defence Committee that of the Governorship of Bombay is but trivial. Whatever a provincial governor's qualifications, whatever his ability, he must inevitably—at least until the recommendations of the Decentralisation Committee should have been formulated and have taken effect—be overshadowed by the Viceroy, whoever and whatever the Viceroy may be, and any marked outbreak in the direction of originality in the matter of famine or plague policy, or even education, might lead to considerable friction. On His Excellency's arrival this morning he will be presented with the customary address by the President of the Municipal Corporation of Bombay, which will indicate to him roughly the hopes and aspirations of the citizens of the Gate of India, and they perhaps constitute the most important interests over which His Excellency will be called upon to direct. But there are other interests affecting the mofussil, of which he will hear later on, in regard to which Sir George's Australian experience may be of some, if not of extensive, value. Members of Council and Secretaries of the various departments will unquestionably place His Excellency in possession of facts and opinions on the great diversity of subjects with which he will be called upon to deal. They threaten to be more than usually interesting during the next year, for in addition to the ever present plague it is more than probable that a considerable amount of scarcity, with its attendant satellite cholera, will prevail in isolated districts of the Presidency. His Excellency, as an Engineer, may feel disposed to inaugurate extensive irrigation works, and here again he will be hampered by restrictions emanating from the Government of India. Even if he attempts to deal promptly and firmly with possible symptoms of sedition or unrest, his hands are not unfettered—facts we must always remember in criticising the administration of a provincial governor.

It is plain to be seen that the Municipal address was not prepared by the acting Commissioner. From a literary point of view it is somewhat below the average, but in practical commonsense it is far above that which the Corporation, in a weak moment, adopted for presentation to Lord Minto. That particular address, we trust, will for ever remain unique in the annals of Municipal government. But the one presented this morning seems to have been prepared by a draftsman who is not quite sure of his footing. "Your Excellency should already have gained experience in administration, as Governor of one of the States of Australia," he says. "Should have," not "has," or "must have,"—and which State the draftsman has apparently forgotten, assuming he ever knew. One of the States of Australia is as different from another as Assam is from Sind, and the experience gained in one would be of little service in another. But it was a safe thing to say, and we believe that the experience Sir George Clarke acquired during his long and varied service to the Crown will have prepared him to "play second fiddle" to the Viceroy and solo violin to the pianoforte accompaniment of Mr. Muir Mackenzie. So the framer of the Municipal address was not far wrong in expressing his gratification that "such ripe and manifold experience should have been placed at the service of this Presidency, for it cannot be denied that the problems of Indian administration ("even in Bombay," might appropriately have been added) at the present day are such as to call for the highest ability, tact and sympathy. The programme of work which the Corporation has set itself and in which they may require Government assistance is plainly set forth, and His Excellency may keep it before him as a reminder. But with it should be filed a copy of Lord Lamington's valedictory speech, wherein he indicated several other important public works to which Municipal energy should be directed, but of which no mention is made in the address. Reference is made to plague measures, to sanitation, primary education, and "lastly" to the problem of the housing of the population. There is a long hiatus between the third problem and "lastly;" but the Corporation probably thought it wise, in adopting the address, to close their eyes to everything that was not glaringly obvious, and that may explain the omissions we refer to. Still the problems enumerated are sufficiently difficult to justify the attention of the Governor being called to them, and he may be able to give assistance as well as advice.

In welcoming the new Governor we are glad to see and endorse the almost unanimous verdict of the Native press on the temporary administration of the presidency by the Hon'ble Mr. Muir Mackenzie, who now reverts to the senior membership of Council. The capacity and tact he has shown furnish one of the strongest of recent arguments in favour of the reduction of the presidency to a lieutenant-governorship, which would not only diminish expenditure but offer to civilians a higher prize for competition, and in some respects, and in some instances, give us more intelligent and sympathetic government than we are entitled to expect from a Governor chosen from among the Under Secretaries of whatever Government happens to be in power, possessing little knowledge and at best but temporary interest in this country or its people. Many reasons have been and could be urged why such a change should not take place—a large proportion of them purely sentimental,—and we anticipate the capable government of the next five years will add materially to the reasons against it. But we cannot deny that the brief period for which Mr. Muir Mackenzie has held office has more than realised the expectations of his friends. He has demonstrated that a senior civilian can efficiently preside over the destinies of the presidency and that the objections to the reduction of Bombay to the administrative level of Bengal have less force than ever they had before. Affairs have not remained at a standstill during Mr. Muir Mackenzie's period of office. We should have no right to complain if they had. But tasks which Lord Lamington had perforce to leave uncompleted have been carried forward—notably the settlement of the long standing dispute between Government and the Corporation on the question of the Police Charges. His visit to Satara and the eminently practical advice he addressed to the people of that important centre and to the Bombay Municipality last evening were undertakings he might have shirked without incurring much responsibility. But we cannot help regarding his visit to Satara as one of the wisest and most timely acts of recent years in the history of Bombay, and one whose good effects cannot be over-estimated. The administration of Bombay in the interregnum, which closed to-day, has been a performance which would have redounded to the credit of any pro-consul, and Sir George Clarke may be congratulated on the fact that, in Bombay at all events, the hands of the clock have not been put back during the time he has been preparing to take up his duties. The temporary administration has been creditable both to Mr. Muir Mackenzie and to the distinguished service to which he belongs.

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THE TRADE OF VICTORIA. A bold bid is being made by the State of Victoria to capture a goodly share of the world's markets. Not content with producing that which grows most readily, the Government is endeavouring to solve two problems: how to grow that which is most wanted, and how to obtain a sound foothold in the best markets. For this purpose an official investigator is continuously touring the world, and the result of his exertions can be traced to a great extent in the progress which that Colony's trade has made in recent years. The chief articles of export from the State are flour, grain, butter and cheese, frozen and canned meats, fruits in various forms, condensed milk and cream, fodder and vegetables. In promoting further extension of its exports Victoria is wise in adopting an attitude of State supervision of its manufacturers, which amounts to a State guarantee. One of the most important industries of Australia is represented chiefly in Victoria. As a grazing country it claims to be unequalled in the world. Last year, according to the returns of the Department of Agriculture, some two hundred million gallons of milk were produced and some thirty-three and a half thousand tons of butter were manufactured, of which twenty thousand, valued at nearly two and a quarter million pounds, was exported. Another important class of exports of quite a different character is that comprised in the wine group. It has taken some years for Australian wines to come into favour, but an increase in the amount exported goes to prove that they have grown in public favour to a considerable extent. Where, perhaps, there is the best opening in India is in the fruit trade. The lack of a good variety of fruit and the total lack, except for a very small portion of the year when the supply is almost negligible, of English fruits such as apples, peaches and grapes is one of the many things to which the Anglo-Indian becomes hardened, but which always remains a matter for regret. Australia has a very large export fruit trade to England, for its season is in full swing at the time when orchards in the Northern Hemisphere are empty. It seems reasonable that what can be carried with success to England can also be carried the shorter journey to India, for, though the market is restricted to a certain extent, there is ample room for it to expand, and the same holds good to a lesser degree with the supply of frozen meat. The difficulty of shipment is already nearly overcome. A large amount of Victorian produce is carried each week through Colombo, and it is chiefly difficulties in India itself that will have to be met if a sound trade is to be built up. Arrangements are already being made in Calcutta to deal with the greatest difficulty, but the operations will have to be extended beyond Calcutta to be thoroughly effective. We refer to the provision of cold storage. In Calcutta the question to be decided is whether the cold storage works shall be on land or the river. In view of rents, there should be little difficulty in deciding this point in Bombay. That there is a very considerable market for preserved goods is undeniable, but that which will prove most popular is a regular supply of fresh meat, fruit and vegetables of English quality readily obtainable in guaranteed sound condition, and at reasonable prices.

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A LANGUAGE FOR CHINA. IN the matter of the diversity of tongues which it mothers China far outstrips India, and the adoption of Kuanhua or Mandarin as the national language has been frequently discussed during the last ten years. It has come to be understood how important it is that the country should have a common language. The subject is very similar to that of the unification of the currency which has engaged public attention, and it is now almost as prominent in the public mind. It has already passed the stage of discussion amongst the few, and Chinese writers are discussing it in many cases in an able and forcible manner in the more prominent newspapers and magazines. It is evident that they are beginning to realize its importance from a national point of view. In due time we may not unreasonably expect to see some tangible result of so much thought and attention as is now being given to the subject by the Chinese themselves. There can be no question that the rapidly changing conditions, now being witnessed in China, will sooner or later make it imperative that one common language shall be the medium of intercommunication between all classes of the people, a language that will be practically identical both in its written and spoken forms and will serve as a common repository of thought and medium of communication throughout the Empire. The difficulties in the way of the accomplishment of this laudable object are neither few nor easy to overcome. But there is no reason to assume that they are insuperable, and there need be no reason to take other than an optimistic view of the situation. It is held that the adoption of one language will tend to lessen and ultimately destroy the distrust at present felt by members of one Province for members of another speaking a different language. Certainly it must act as a great help to intercommunication. To-day the written language of China is Wenli, which is both difficult and little understood. For Kuanhua is claimed wide use and comparative simplicity, and it is further claimed that its adoption must lead to a far higher standard of learning. Against Kuanhua is urged that it is seriously defective for use as an every-day language and that it is ill-adapted to modification and help from foreign languages—help that will become more and more necessary as China comes into closer touch with foreign countries. But at least it can claim to be the prevailing speech of all but three Provinces and is probably understood by at least five-sixths of the whole population of the Empire, and it would seem that any substitute as a national language would have to be something apart from Chinese altogether.

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STRAWS IN THE WIND. Morenga is dead, and there is outward peace between British and German diplomacy. But the lesson which Morenga bequeathed us should not be easily forgotten. The last month of his life shows what a blaze of racial animosity in Europe can be lighted by the irresponsible action of some wild Hottentot thousands of miles away. Morenga had for two years past been a dangerous marauder in German South-West Africa. The Germans had tried in vain to catch him, but they failed; and when he escaped into British territory, and the German request that he should be handed over to them for punishment was refused on purely legal grounds, the German Press waxed violently indignant and pretended that England was protecting and pampering Morenga simply because he had beaten the whole German soldiery of South-West Africa. And when Morenga, learning that it was the intention of the Cape Government to remove him a few hundred miles off, escaped back into German territory the German Press had no longer any doubt that "perfidious Albion" was at her old game and had secretly connived at Morenga's escape in order to have the delight of seeing him still playing ducks and drakes with the German troops. Consequently some very unpleasant things were said about England and the Cape, and the old spirit of the war was alive again in no time. The Germans must have suffered no end of mortification since they began their campaign in South-West Africa two years ago, remembering, as they must, how they chortled at our seeming slowness in putting an end to the struggle with the Boers; and the apparent protection of Morenga afforded by England was a terrible thorn in the German side. Even now that Morenga is dead, killed by British soldiers in British territory, and Germany officially very thankful for relief from the bogey of Morenga, the German Press is still a trifle virulent. One satirist has represented Germany as Salome dancing before King Edward as Herod, and receiving the head of Morenga as a reward for her grace and dexterity. When Britain does Germany a splendid turn, her gall is such that she has a difficulty in preventing the display of it even when she should be in her happiest mood.

HIS EXCELLENCY the Acting Governor of Bombay accompanied by Major W. P. Bannerman, Military Secretary Captain J. G. Greig, Officiating Private Secretary, and Aide-de-Camp, Captain D. H. Talbot, Aide-de-Camp and Captain L. J. Comyn extra Aide-de-Camp, arrived in Bombay yesterday morning at 6-15 a. m. from Mahableshwar and alighted at the Victoria Terminus. The arrival was private. His Excellency with his staff drove to Government House, Malabar Hill. In the afternoon His Excellenyc attended the "At Home" given by the President of the Bombay Corporation given at the Municipal Council Hall.

THE Anchor Line s.s. "Castalia," Homeward bound, passed Suez on the 16th instant.

MR. KEIR HARDIE, leaves Simla to-day for Bombay whence he goes to Madras, embarking at Colombo about the 2nd of November for Australia.

THE P. and O. Company's s.s. "Macedonia," with the outward Mails of the 11th instant, left Suez at 10 p.m., on the 16th October instant.

THE P. and O. Company's s.s. "Arabia," with the Homeward Mails of the 12th instant, arrived at Aden at 8 p.m., on the 16th instant.

A YOUNG scientist in Lyons is reported to have discovered a process for the transport of electrical energy over long distances without the use of wires.

THE Directors of the Bank of Bombay have appointed Mr. C. J. Collings to act as Agent at Akola Branch vice Mr. G. A. Phillips, temporarily absent on leave.

THE only speech likely to be made at the Council meeting to-day (Friday), in connection with the Seditious Meetings Bill, will be that of Sir Harvey Adamson on introducing it, the debate upon the principles it involves taking place next week.

THE marriage arranged between Captain W. M. St. G. Kirke, R.A., Commandant, Bhamo Battalion, Burmah Military Police, and Miss Lilian Ethel MacLiesh will take place in Rangoon on or about the 26th November.

IT is understood that Mr. Gokhale arrives at Simla on Monday to take his place upon the Select Committee of the Seditious Meetings Bill, and that the executive members of the Council, including Lord Kitchener, remain at Simla until the legislative session has closed.

THE question of the grant of compensation for injuries to Commissioned Officers having been under consideration, the Admiralty has decided to reduce the period within which applications for compensation must be made from ten to five years, and the necessary alterations in the King's Regulations have been ordered.

DURING the week ending October 15 the number of chests of opium removed from the Warehouse in Bombay was 788. Of these, 782½ were shipped to China, 4 to Cutch-Mandvi, ½ to Mozambique, and one was purchased by the Farmer at Porebunder. During the week 818 1-2 chests were imported from Indore.

A STRANGE echo of the tragic death of President McKinley comes in a telegram from New York, which states that the parents of Czolgosz, the man who assassinated the President, are reduced to such straitened circumstances that they have made an application to the city authorities to grant them relief as paupers.

THE Rev. Canon Brittain, though still extremely weak, is making good progress towards recovery. If all goes well, he and Mrs. Brittain hope to leave for England in the first week of December, sailing from Madras, so as to get the benefit of a long sea voyage. Canon Brittain will probably remain at the Madras General Hospital until his departure Home.

TAKING advantage of the fine weather, Mr. Chamberlain has been spending a great deal of time in his gardens at Highbury, near Birmingham. He gets about without much difficulty, and the improvement in his physical condition is said to be steady, though, naturally, slow. He displays considerable interest in the work of pruning the trees, personally superintending the operations.

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THE GAME OF BRIDGE.

(BY "CUT-CAVENDISH.")

The Author of "How to Win at Bridge," "Popular Bridge Player," &c.

II.—THE DECLARATION OF NO TRUMPS.

It would be difficult to over-estimate the importance of the declaration at Bridge. If success is ever to crown your efforts depend upon it the way will be paved by the soundness of your declarations. Nor is the art of declaring such an easy matter as might appear at first sight. Not only have you to take the value of your cards into account, but some regard must be paid to the state of the score at the time being.

One point most emphatically the beginner must bear in mind—that is to proceed cautiously at first. He must not rate his powers too highly. Experience can only come with practice, and for a while, at any rate, it is best for him not to hazard too light a declaration as dealer whatever the position of affairs may be.

Before dealing exclusively with the subject of this article I would further impress upon the reader the advisability of always consulting the score before every call. Even if it be not his own or his partner's declaration, the state of the score may guide him in the play of the hand. As to the declaration itself, it must often be influenced by the same factor. Thus you would not hazard doubtful No Trumps call could you see your way to game on Hearts or Diamonds.

Remember your main object is to win the game and the rubber, and all unnecessary risks are to be avoided. To score a hundred for four aces in one hand in No Trumps is a pleasing accomplishment, but, even this figure pales into insignificance when we consider that the difference between winning and losing a rub amounts to no less a sum than 200 points.

INSTINCT AND REASON.

The play of the hand naturally counts for much, but the ground lost by means of a faulty declaration may never be recovered. Brilliant play will not save the situation; your unsound declaration has let you down.

To know almost instinctively what to declare at the various stages of the game is one of the most valuable acquirements of a Bridge player, and of all declarations No Trumps is the most important, seeing that it is of the highest scoring value. The first thing, therefore, for the dealer to decide is whether his cards allow of such a call. At the commencement of a game too speculative a policy is not to be lightly undertaken. All the same, the oftener No Trumps can be legitimately called the better, and it is when the dealer's hand is above the average that the step may be taken. Of course, your partner may hold very little strength, and the odd trick be lost or even two or three by tricks. That is the fortune of the game, and does not concern your declaration. Your business, as declarer, is to place your partner with his fair share of court cards and to act accordingly.

The dealer has now to decide as to what measure of strength constitutes a No Trump hand. In the ordinary way such a hand should be guarded in three of the four suits which means that such suit should embrace at least an ace; a king and two other cards; a queen, knave and another; or a knave ten, and two others. Of course, a hand containing four aces may unhesitatingly be regarded as a No Trumper, as there are at any rate 100 points to be added above the line, whatever the ultimate result may be. The possessor of three aces is also expected to declare No Trumps, unless he has so powerful a Heart hand that he regards the latter declaration as the more profitable.

But other No Trump hands are not so easily recognisable, and as I had occasion to remark in "The Complete Bridge Player," perhaps the best test of a No Trumper for the beginner to apply to his hand is contained in what is commonly known as the "Robertson Rule." This I have often seen recommended in actual play, and with the most satisfactory results, as it enables the novice to call No Trumps on a strong hand which otherwise he might have passed on. The test to apply to the hand is simple enough. You reckon an ace as seven a king as five, a queen as three, a knave as two, and a ten as one, and if the addition of this modest sum in mental arithmetic totals not less than 24, and at least three of the suits be guarded, you have a sound No Trump hand to go upon.

PRECEPT AND EXAMPLE.

The advanced player will, as a matter of fact, be satisfied to call No Trumps should the number of points under the "Robertson Rule" only reach 21, but the beginner must not be quite so enterprising. He can afford to bide his time until wider experience will allow of his calling right up to his full strength.

Having now theoretically defined what constitutes an ordinary No Trump hand, a few examples may not be out of place. Each one of the appended hands, it may be added, comes within the category of the "Robertson Rule," and No Trumps should unhesitatingly be declared on any one of them:—

Hearts	10, 2.	Ace, king, 6.
Diamonds	Ace, knave, 4, 3	Ace, 8, 3.
Clubs	King, queen, 6.	Queen, knave, 5, 2.
Spades	Queen, knave, 10, 7.	9, 6, 3.
Hearts	Ace, 9, 4.	8, 3.
Diamonds	Ace, 4, 2.	King, knave, 10, 4, 2.
Clubs	Queen, 8, 3.	King, 10, 6.
Spades	Ace, 10, 6, 3.	Ace, queen, 5.

Sometimes, however, the dealer will be compelled to call No Trumps on considerably less strength than the above. The opposition are well advanced on their road to the rubber, while the dealer toils away in the rear. This is the time when a legitimate risk is to be run, affording as it may the sole chance of snatching the game out of the fire. Then No Trumps may be declared on a hand only a queen or a knave above the average, and it is really surprising how often a thin No Trumps call comes off, so frequently in fact that there has been some desultory talk of abolishing if possible the light No Trumps call. I say, perish the thought. Rather is it the disgustingly fat No Trumper which is to be deprecated, for play is then at a discount, and we all knew that superior forces can crush anything.

There is still some difference of opinion as to whether No Trumps should ever be called on an aceless hand. One well-known authority on the game, indeed, goes so far as to say that "without an ace, No Trumps should not be declared at the score of love-all, except with four kings and four queens, and an evenly divided hand; and not even then if four honours in Hearts or Diamonds are held." It seems to me that this writer's demands are somewhat exorbitant and with the score at love-all I should only too willingly declare No Trumps on such a hand as the following:—

Hearts King, queen, 8, 2, Diamonds King, knave, 10.
Clubs, King, 10, 4, Spades, King, queen, knave.

AN EXCEPTION.

Before leaving the dealer and the declaration of No Trumps I would remark that there is one exception to the general rule of only calling No Trumps when in on three or all four suits. Six or more certain tricks in a black suit accompanied by another ace, affords a sound enough declaration of the senior call. With such cards you should get in sufficiently early to snatch the odd trick, while very often the game will be won as well. All the same, should your long suit be Hearts or Diamonds, better announce a profitable suit declaration than hazard a doubtful No Trumps.

It stands to reason that when humanly possible the dealer had better make the declaration himself. A left call must give the opposing side information of a sort. As it is Dummy will often enough be entrusted with the responsibility of the declaration, and he must see that he makes the most of his opportunities. Because the call has been passed it does not follow that the dealer possesses a worthless sort of hand. He evidently does not hold as many as three aces, nor yet overwhelming strength in either of the red suits, but he may still be well provided with this world's goods.

Dummy has therefore to attack if he thinks he can do so with a fair prospect of success, although he has to observe rather greater caution with regard to the call of No Trumps. You see he suffers from several disadvantages which do not attend an original declaration. In the first place, his cards are led through instead of being led up to, whilst no sooner has the lead been made than his hand is exposed, and if the call has been in the nature of a light one, the opposition may find themselves in a position to take full advantage of any weak spots in Dummy's armour. They may be able to cut up the hand, and establish one or even two long suits, whereas had the same cards lain with the dealer, the position would not have been disclosed until the closing stages of the hand, and the declaring side would have stood a far better chance of success.

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DEAR OLD DICKENS.

III.

"Und fragst du noch, warum dein herz
"Sich bang in deinem Busen Klemmt,
"Warum ein unerklarter Schmerz
"Dir alle Lebensregüng hemmt?"

And dost thou ask why heaves thy heart
With tightened pressure in thy breast?
Why the dull ache will not depart
By which thy life-pulse is oppressed?

Read Dickens, the most affecting and affection of writers. He brings to light the good in hum nature, than analyse the bad. He is disposed mo to excuse and pity than to condemn. A first-ra artist, and yet is he incapable of disjoining t worship of art from the conviction that art can a *ought*, not only to delight men but make the better too. A first-rate artist and yet is he incapab of being unmoved by the creations of his own brai Call to mind that single sentence of his whic articulates his character as a man, and explains h fascination as a writer: "This story—the O Curiosity Shop—breaks my heart." In his descri tions, his personages, his scenes, he is for imitatin nature, and for imagining the true.

HIS VOCATION

is certainly not that of the idealistic artist. Th process of selection which characterise the latter markedly absent in him. Ugliness, vulgari irregularity all are portrayed with just such a hap touch as to leave no disgust on the reader's mi What the idealist conventionally turns up his n at is what he treats by preference. You ha find a great man, a seductive woman, or a w bred gentleman in his works. His domain circumscribed by the grotesque, the malevolent the mysterious. What he is bent on representi he cannot help modifying in a thousand wa chief of which are those of a humourist, and s more so of a caricaturist. Our epoch is rather of morose literature. He is therefore perhaps easy to understand. His works are amusing a meant to amuse. With the simple but gallant a learned President of the Pickwick Club, supporte by his honourable acolytes subject to human wea nesses, Dickens made his debut. What marvello comic creations, what communicative mirth! you read the adventures through, the smile is ev there. Jingle flanked by his sanctimonious val Sam Weller giving evidence with exquisite tact the witness-box in Mrs. Bardell's breach of promi case, or stumping a roomful of stilted valets at Bat or advising his "old un" to drop the Deput Shepherd Stiggins with the red-nose in a water-b and put the lid on, for making his way to his mothe in-law's heart, and for installing himself in h public-house, there is such lively diversion as drive all dole away.

RAILLERY IS NOT OFTEN BENIGN WITH HIM.

He turns into cutting ridicule things which sho him. That massive and redoubtable figure in stat coat and cocked hat is the beadle, a consequenti dignitary. See his paunch and breadth of shoulde making up for two dignities, of majordomo an jailor—developing in proportion as the gruel of paupers grows thinner and his nature coars How rigidly he rules the workhouse! Dicken satire of him and of the institution is simply scat ing. For downright caricatures of the spirit positivism, and of churlishness of heart of practic people, there's the banker, merchant, manufactur and what not of Coketown, and his bosom frie Tom Gradgrind—a man of facts, realities an calculations—if one devoid of all sentiment c believe in such sentimental relationship. Wh flings does he not take at them! How it does o heart good to see the wind taken out of that inflat balloon Mr. Bounderby, the Bully of humility The tender sympathy he feels for the bourgeois a the people is what he lacks towards the noblesse an Society people generally. Therein his pictures English life fail to be faithful. The social hierarch the rich, the governing class, the merchants, men liberal professions, all those who, stirred by a dee rooted egoism, or avidity of wealth or power, or virtue of their acquired position are placed on t summit of the nation, and lie heavy with the weight on the mass of miserables, offend them wi their insolence, and oppress them with their rigidit appear to him detestable, perverse and worthy blame. Their institutions are condemned. A scho is where children are ill-used, tribunals where suit are ground, Parliaments where they perorate pratt hospitals where they ill-treated the unfortuna banks for robbing, salons for silly talk and ridiculo fuss, ministers for wasting money and compromisi the interests of the nation.

HALF OF HIS MERIT

lies in the justness of observation, the exactness o silhouette, the precision of satire. The caricatu though a deformer has to beget the true. He in tercepts life by a summary sketch, such that the spectator cannot doubt that the being shown him is real, observed in his aspect and realised in his character. It is quite refreshing to note what a keen observer he is in matters of the most minor importance. David Copperfield is about to be born. Dr. Chillip has been sent for. A mild little man, you may set him down as the meekest of his sex from the way he sidles in and out of a room to take up the least space. Despite his carrying his head on one side, partly in modest depreciation of himself, and partly in modest propitiation of everybody else, and his laying himself out to be polite and social, Miss Betsey Trotwood snarls at him so with her Ba-a-h and Ya-a-h, that he prefers going and sitting upon the stairs in the dark, and a strong draught, than before her looking feebly. David is put to school in London. On his way there by coach, he dines alone at the Yarmouth inn. A friendly waiter not only helps to polish off all that is served, chops, potatoes, pudding, ale not excepted and gets a shilling for tip in the bargain, but joins in the general admiration without being confused when the women-servants about the place come out to look and giggle at David as a young phenomenon infected with bulimy. There goes the carrier Barkis. How he hangs his head down as does his horse shuffling along. He is unused to anything like talk, has no idea of it and being smitten with Peggotty's charms proposes to her through David, now memorable as "Barkis is willin," Pip has come into handsome property and is a gentleman. He is unhappy that Joe being backward in his learning and his manners, is not better qualified for a rise in station. Not being able to make himself understood to Joe, he speaks to Biddy in preference about it, to help on Joe. She surprises him by her superior sense when she puts it to him that Joe "may be too proud to let any one take him out of a place that he is competent to fill, and fills well and with respect." He wants a fashionable suit of clothes to present himself in to his guardian in London. He goes to Trabb the tailor. Now Mr. Trabb's boy was the most audacious boy in all that country-side, and was not to be put down by Pip though a gentleman, for whom Trabb himself respectfully bent his spine. So he sweetened his labours by sweeping over Pip, and knocked the broom against all possible corners and obstacles to express equality with any blacksmith alive or dead till Trabb came down heavy on him, and offered to knock his head off if he did not hold the noise. To peruse his works is to purify ourselves of all that is violent and vindictive, mean and conceited within us, and we learn to hate nothing but to love or pity everything.

PESTANJI DORABJI KHANDALEVALA.

A FARM labourer named Frederick Tucker, of Cabbaton, Bishops Tawton, captured a large snake, and, whilst attempting to charm it, was badly bitten. He mounted his bicycle to ride to a local doctor to have his arm attended to, but on the way he collapsed, and fell from his machine in a unconscious condition. He was, however, discovered, and, his injuries receiving prompt attention, he is now believed to be out of danger.

BISHOP WELLDON, Dean of Manchester, recently Bishop of Calcutta and Metropolitan in India, took what some people may regard as a bold step in appearing and speaking on a Sunday evening at a sacred Concert on behalf of the Royal National Lifeboat Institution, held in the Palace Theatre, Manchester. Dr. Welldon justified his presence by declaring that he did not believe in multiplying the number of things that are wrong. There were wrong things enough in the world, and it was not altogether easy to keep clear of them, but if anyone thought it was wrong to listen to such sacred songs as he had heard that evening he was ashamed of that opinion. If anyone told him that a clergyman ought to not appear on the stage he would answer that the word pulpit, in its origin, meant a stage. The Dean added that he was present as a Christian and as a Churchman.

THE DISASTER AT SHREWSBURY.

OPENING OF THE ENQUIRY.

New Board of Trade Precedent.

THE OVERRUNNING OF SIGNALS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, OCTOBER 16.

Mr. Lloyd-George personally and publicly opened the Board of Trade enquiry into the Shrewsbury accident, and himself examined witnesses, an unprecedented course.

The signalmen stated that there were two sets of signals against the train. The guard of the train deposed that they were travelling at between fifty and sixty miles an hour and that the brakes were applied but without effect.

LONDON, OCTOBER 17.

Mr. Lloyd-George, speaking at Manchester, said the Board of Trade would spare no effort to scrutinise to the fullest degree, the great mystery of the Shrewsbury disaster, in view of its similarity to recent accidents in which competent drivers had rushed madly in the face of signals on clear nights.

["EMPIRE" SPECIAL.]

CALCUTTA, OCTOBER 17.

Mr. Lloyd George has established a precedent by attending the enquiry into the Shrewsbury Disaster. He keenly questioned the officials on the subject of strain on express drivers. At a banquet, subsequently, he declared that the Government is determined to solve the mystery of the recent accident.

TURKEY AND PERSIA.

Movement of Turkish Troops.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, OCTOBER 16.

Advices from Urmea received in St. Petersburg state that the Turks have occupied Ushnuye in Azerbaijan, and are marching to Dilman, where they apparently intend to winter.

MR. DADABHAI NAOROJI.

Arrival at Gibraltar.

IMPROVEMENT IN HEALTH.

LONDON, OCTOBER 16.

Mr. Dadabhai Naoroji has arrived at Gibraltar He is much improved in health.

MULAI-HAFID'S ENVOYS.

Refused Recognition at Berlin.

LONDON, OCTOBER 16.

A telegram from Berlin states that the Foreign Office refused to receive Mulai-Hafid's Envoys who proceeded from Berlin to Rome.

THE MANILA ASSEMBLY.

Rude Blow from Mr. Taft.

LONDON, OCTOBER 16.

A telegram from Manila states that Mr. Taft, in opening the Assembly, said he did not believe that the Filipinos would be fitted for self-government for at least a generation, but the matter was entirely in the hands of Congress.

He was confident that they recognized the necessity of supporting the American Government.

RAIN AND FLOODS IN SCOTLAND.

Heavy Damage.

RAILWAYS FLOODED AND BREACHED.

LONDON, OCTOBER 16.

Torrential rain storms in the South of Scotland have caused much destruction to grain and sheep.

The railways are interrupted by wash-outs.

Some of the Glasgow suburban lines are flooded to a depth of 7ft.

THE RAILWAY CRISIS.

Strike Highly Probable.

LONDON, OCTOBER 17.

Mr. Bell, addressing a meeting of railway men in London, said that if the companies persisted in refusing a Conference, the ballot would show an enormous majority in favour of a strike.

The meeting passed a resolution that the only course open to the men was to strike.

THE OXFORD FUND.

Generous Promise.

LONDON, OCTOBER 17.

Mr. Waldorf Astor, who has already contributed £10,000 to the Oxford University Fund, has promised another £10,000 as soon as £100,000 has been subscribed.

INTERNATIONAL SHIPPING CONFERENCE.

Defence against Strikes.

LONDON, OCTOBER 17.

The International Shipping Conference in London has decided to form an International Committee to arrange plans for mutual defence and co-operation in the future, against strikes.

THE WHEAT FAMINE.

Another Increase in Price.

LONDON, OCTOBER 17.

The price of wheat yesterday reached 40s. per quarter in several provincial markets.

THE HAGUE CONFERENCE.

Permanent Arbitration Court Adopted.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, OCTOBER 17.

The Hague Conference in a plenary Committee, has adopted by 38 votes—six minor Powers abstaining from voting—the British resolution recommending the Powers to adopt a permanent Court of Arbitration. It is hoped that the final sitting will take place to-morrow.

ANTI-MILITARISM IN FRANCE.

Inciters to Desertion Arrested.

LONDON, OCTOBER 16.

The Paris Police have arrested six signatories to an Anti-Militarist Manifesto inciting conscripts to desert.

M. ISVOLSKY IN PARIS.

To Pave the Way for a New Loan.

LONDON, OCTOBER 16.

M. Isvolsky has arrived in Paris on a ten days stay.

LONDON, OCTOBER 17.

It is believed that M. Isvolsky's business in Paris is to pave the way for a new loan.

RAILWAY STRIKE IN ITALY.

LONDON, OCTOBER 17.

The Italian Government intend prosecuting the railwaymen in Turin who lately joined the general strike, violating the recent law.

AMERICA AND JAPAN.

Alarmist Press on the Pacific Cruise.

LONDON, OCTOBER 17.

A telegram from New York states that the Anti-Government Newspaper, the *Sun*, in an alarmist article says that the chief reason for sending the American squadron to the Pacific is to prepare for a war with Japan.

THE CESAREWITCH.

Demure Wins the Race.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, OCTOBER 16.

Demure (4 yrs. 6st. 9lbs.) 1
White Knight (4yrs. 9st. 12lbs.).............. 2
Duffy (4yrs. 8st. 2lbs.)......................... 3

Also ran :—

Baltinglass (3yrs. 6st. 9lbs.).
Royal Dream (4yrs. 8st. 2lbs.).
Outbreak (5yrs. 7st 11lbs.).
Spate (4yrs. 7st 8lbs.).
Madame de Soubise (4yrs. 7st. 3lbs.)
Father Blind (4yrs. 6st. 7lbs.)
Detection (4yrs. 6st. 5lbs.).
Winking Anne (5yrs. 6st. 2lbs.).
Iman (5yrs. 6st. 1lb.).
Asticot (4yrs. 6st.).

Starting Prices.

4 Demure, 12 White Knight and 10 Baltinglass.

NEWFOUNDLAND AND AMERICA.

Sir R. Bond Condemned.

["EMPIRE" SPECIAL.]

CALCUTTA, OCTOBER 17.

The "Times" commenting on the Blue Book, published yesterday, dealing with Newfoundland Fisheries, admits the Government was right in insisting on the "Modus Vivendi" with America and condemns Sir Robert Bond's obstinacy in opposing it.

THE VICEROY'S COMING TOUR.

Visits Ahmednagar en Route.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

POONA, OCTOBER 17.

His Excellency the Viceroy pays a flying visit to Ahmednagar *en route* to Hyderabad on November 11th for the purpose of presenting new Colors to the Worcester Regiment and of inspecting the Remount Depot there.

THE LATE STORM AT KARACHI.

Official Repor

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA OCTOBER, 17.

A report is published upon the warnings issued by the Meteorological Department and on the action taken on their receipt by the Port authorities in connection with the storm which struck Karachi on 6th June last. The warning signal was hoisted at 5 p.m. on 3rd June and the danger signal at 6 a.m. on 5th June. These and other telegrams were immediately communicated to Masters of all vessels in Port, warning signals being hoisted at all the three Port signal masts and copies of telegrams being forwarded to the local English papers and the Vice-Chairman of the Chamber of Commerce. On 5th June all vessels in moorings were ordered to get up steam and those at the wharves secured to extra fastinings. The harbour craft proceeded to places of safety. The inhabitants of the Island of Baba and Bhit and of the fishing village Khudda proceeded to places of safety on the Karachi side of the harbour. The storm passed over the port between 8 a.m. and 4 p. m. the centre passing about 12-30 p. m. No damage was done to the shipping; a few of the harbour craft were sunk, but as far as can be ascertained no loss of life occurred in the harbour limits.

THE total number of deaths registered in Bombay during the week ending October 15th was 713, giving a death-rate of 35·89 per annum per thousand as against 35·15 the corresponding period of last year, and 39·29 the average over the past five years. Of the total number, 77 died from fevers; 29, plague; 1 small-pox; 1, measles; 8, cholera; 2, leprosy; 65, phthisis; 45, diseases of the nervous system; 166, affections of the respiratory organs; 44, diarrhœa; 19, dysentery; 38, still-born; 107, old age and debility; 9, accidents and violence. The classified list of deaths shows :—Jain, 23; Brahmin, 19; Lingaet, 3; Bhattia, 11; Hindus of other castes, 331; Hindus low caste, 90; Musalman, 154; Parsee, 14; Jew, 3; Native Christian, 20; Eurasian, 4; European, 3; The total number of births was 429 as against 415 in the corresponding period of last year, and 412 the average over the past five years.

THE LATE LIEUT. BIGGS' FUNERAL,

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

POONA, OCTOBER 17.

The funeral of late Lieutenant Lionel Andrew Biggs, 130th Baluchis, who died at Wanowrie Hospital from enteric fever at the early age of 24, took place this morning. The coffin was conveyed from Wanowrie to St. Sepulchre's cemetery on a gun carriage furnished by the 8th Battery R. F. A., from Kirkee, and was followed by about thirty Officers of the Signalling School to which the deceased Officer was attached. At the cross roads a large number of Officers from the different Corps in garrison had assembled and among them were Brigadier-General Swann C. B. and Officers of his staff. From here the cortege moved on to the cemetery, preceded by the band of the East Lancashire Regiment, and a firing party of fifty rank and file in command of Lieut. Furlonger. Behind the gun carriage walked the Officers in a mournful procession. The band played a piece from Mendelssohn and Handel's Dead March" till it arrived at the cemetery where the coffin was borne to its last resting place by a party of Sergeants from the Signalling School. Reverend J. A. Sellar Chaplain, of St. Paul's, read the burial service and at the end of it the band choir sang that beautiful hymn of the Anglican Church "When Our Heads are Bowed with Woe." The firing party next fired three volleys and finally the buglers sounded "The Last Post" at the graveside.

Among the wreaths were ones sent by Capt. Grant and Lieut. Daniels, Mrs. Carysfotlock, Lieut.-Col. and Mrs. H. S. McGill, Colonel Southey and Officers 130th Baluchis, Chaman, in loving memory from Officers of the Signalling School, Poona, With Feelings of Deep Respect from the N. C. O's. of the Signalling Class.

DEATH OF NAWAB MOHSIN-UL-MULK.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, OCTOBER 17.

Nawab Mohsin-ul Mulk lately Secretary, Aligarh, College, who has been in failing health for some time died yesterday at his house in Sanjaoli village, near Simla and a large number of Mahomedans followed in the procession to-day which conveyed the remains to the Railway Station whence they are being sent by train to Etawah for burial. Prayers were offered upon the Ridge *en route*.

MR- KEIR HRRDIE IN SIMLA.

Failure of a Public Meeting.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, OCTOBER 17.

An attempt was made to get up a fare-well meeting to Mr. Keir Hardie at the Town Hall here today, but Mr. Kier Hardie did not attend and does not appear to have been consulted in the matter. A good many people assembled under the impression that Mr. Keir Hardie would speak, but dispersed when this proved not to be the case.

METEOROLOGICAL OFFICE IN SIMLA.

New Site Purchased.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, OCTOBER 17.

The property in Simla known as the Yarrows, has been purchased by Government for Rs. 6,000 and will be used for the location of the Meteorological Office when the latter is moved from constantia which is to be taken over by the Y. W. C. A.

FREE PRIMARY EDUCATION IN MYSORE.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

BANGALORE, OCTOBER 17.

The Mysore Government have taken a small but decisive step towards the introduction of free primary education by ordering as from the 1st instant the abolition of fees in certain Hobli and Tahik branch schools. The fees abolished are estimated as only Rs. 5,700 but the Government state that the wide scheme was not fully worked out at the close of the official year and the Budget proposals would not admit of more than partial effect being given to it yet. They avow the belief in the desirability of making elementary vernacular education free in all village and tahik schools.

UNITED INDIA.

Mr. Hardie's Observations.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, OCTOBER 17.

Sir Prodyot Kumar Tagore in a letter to Mr. Keir Hardie, dated the 8th instant, and published in today's "Englishman" says :—"I was greatly interested to hear the account of your travels in the Far East and in Bengal, you are reported to have said 'there is only one people in India.' I venture to repeat here that India is a great conservative land with a mass of different races with different religions, opposing constitutions and separate manners and customs. All these go to make it extremely difficult to bring harmoniously together different elements constituting one people. If I may be permitted to say so, it is the duty of every statesman whether in this country or in England to secure an union based on common interests and to endeavour to ensure to the Crown a personal attachment of the entire Indian nation. In view of securing this object an Empire League, I am strongly of opinion, ought to be organised by men who have the real interest of the country at heart."

DOGCART ACCIDENT AT POONA.

Lieutenant Hooton Injured.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

POONA, OCTOBER 17.

A somewhat serious carriage accident took place yesterday evening near the Bombay Command Offices, in which Captain Hooton, Assistant Civil Surgeon, met with injuries. He was driving in his dogcart, when the horse took fright and bolted and in turning the corner of the road, somewhat sharply, the carriage upset. Captain Hooton was thrown out and received injuries to his head and feet, one of his ankles being badly sprained. A European lady, who was driving past picked up Captain Hooton and drove him home in her carriage.

MR. HENRY W. NEVINSON sailed for India on the 4th instant on a special mission on behalf of the "Manchester Guardian," the "Daily Chronicle," and the "Glasgow Herald." His object will be as far as possible to discover the causes of the present discontent and to report "without prejudice" the opinions of leading Indians as well as officials. It is his intention to visit all the chief centres of unrest and to be present at the Congress meeting at Nagpur.

DURING the next four months, the German Army authorities intend to carry out an important series of experiments in wireless telegraphy at Metz and Strassburg, and at the six leading fortresses of Königsberg, Thorn, Dantzig, Posen, Cologne and Mayence. One thousand Reservists, who have served as military telegraphists, have been called up to work with the military telegraphists now serving with the Army.

WHAT is probably the cheapest rate for a sea voyage ever offered is that now made available by the Government of New South Walse to young women who are prepared to go out to the Colony to undertake domestic service. The charge to these emigrants for the journey to Sydney of 12,000 miles is £3.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

BOMBAY BRIGADE ORDERS.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17.

NORTHERN ARMY.

The following arrivals and departures are published :—

Arrivals.—Captain E. B. Knox, R.A.M.C., arrived and landed *ex.* S.S. "Britannia," on 6th October.

Major D. Warren, The Queen's, arrived and landed *ex.* S.S. "Balduino," on 6th October.

Lieut. G. F. Broughton, 2nd Gurkhas, arrived and landed *ex.* S.S. "Balduino," on the 6th October.

Lieut. C. P. Rowley, R.G.A., arrived and landed *ex.* S. S. Balduino, on 6he October.

Captain P. Davidson, R.A.M.C., arrived and landed *ex.* S.S. "Malta," on 8th October.

Captain E. S. Worthington, R.A.M.C., arrived and landed *ex.* S.S. "Malta," on 8th October.

Captain R. Hughes-Hallett, S. and T. Corps, arrived and landed *ex.* S.S. "Malta," on 8th October.

Captain H. W. Dumaresq, Rifle Brigade, and Lieut. J. H. Starkey, Rifle Brigade, arrived and landed *ex.* S.S. "Oriental," on 12th July.

Lieut. H. T. Shakespear, 12th Cavalry, Captain G. B. Scott, 27th Punjabis, Lieut. R. J. Cargill, 26th Punjabis, Major T. C. Watson, R. E., Lieut. N. F. Nicoll, 54th Sikhs, Captain M. R. W. Nightingale, 1/5th Gurkhas, Lieut. T. B. F. Bate, R. F. A., Lieut. F. H. Hornsby, R. F. A., Lieut. A. E. Scott, 27th Lancers, Lieut. R. G. Strong, 11th Rajputs, Captain O. M. Dyke, 21st Cavalry, Captain J. M. Caskill, the Guides, arrived and landed S.S. "Dumbea," on the 10th October.

Colonel A. W. Money, A. A. G., Colonel G. C. Mansel, Durham Lt. Infy., Colonel F. W. P. Angelo, 9th H. Horse, Lieut. R. V. Pollok, 15th Hussars, Lieut. A. A. Tod, Rifle Brigade, Lieut. N. A. L. Day, R. F. A., Major W. G. H. Manley, R. F. A., arrived and landed *ex.* S. S. "Persia," on the 11th October.

Lieut. W. A. S. de Gale, 5th Cavalry, Lieut. A. Vickers, 48th Pioneers, Lieut. J. A. Pollock, Oxford Lt. Infy., Lieut. C. W. Ford, R.G.A., Major. G. L. Holland, 34th Pioneers, Major A. J. H. Swiney, R. E., Captain W. G. Gough, 15th Sikhs, Lieut. T. A. Davis, 8th Rajputs, Major H. W. Hodgson, 15th Hussars, Major H. A. Tagart, 15th Hussars, Captain W. L. Osborn, Royal Sussex Regt., Major H. H. Turner, 2nd Lancers, Major-General G. Henry, Staff, Captain H. E. Street, R.F.A., Colonel G.D.N. Leake, R.A.M.C., Captain J. E. Powell, R.A.M.C., Captain A. C. Osburn, R.A.M.C., Lieut. H. F. Collingridge, 9th Gurkhas, Lieut. E. P. Grant, 25th Cavalry, Lieut. E. P. Argyle, A.V.C., Lieut. G. R. Maitland, 14th Jat Lancers, Major R. St. C. Lecky, R.H.A., Lieut. W. J. Poston, R.H.A., Captain F. Rose, 10th Hussars, Major C. W. H. Crichton, 10th Hussars, Lieut. E. S. Vicary, 16th Cavalry, Major A. B. Longden, 37th Dogras, Major B. J. Innies, R.A.M.C., arrived and landed *ex.* S.S "Persia," on the 11th October.

Departures.—Major G. H. Boisragon, 5th Gurkhas, Lieutenant E. de L. Young, R.E., Lieutenant G. H. Gwyther, Royal Welsh Fusiliers, Captain T. P. Godman, Royal Dragoons, per S.S. "Arabia" on the 12th October.

SOUTHERN ARMY.

Arrivals.—Lieutenant C. T. Shaw, 122nd Infantry, Lieutenant H. W. Inglis, 1st Brahmans, arrived and landed *ex.* S.S. "Britannia," on the 6th October.

Captain A. H. D. West, R. F. A., Lieutenant F. H. James, 104th Rifles, Captain J. Leader, Bedfordshire Regiment, Lieutenant J. M. Mackenzie, Royal Scots, Major F. L. Moore, 3rd S. Horse, Major A. S. Arnold, 26th Light Cavalry, Lieutenant F. G. Sanderson, 126th Infantry, Captain H. G. Chapman, Manchester Regiment, Captain D. G. Bryce, 76th Punjabis, Captain H. M. Turton, 123rd Rifles, arrived and landed *ex.* S.S. "Dumbea," on the 10th October.

Captain G. Marchant, 29th Lancers, arrived and landed *ex.* S.S. "Peninsular," on the 4th October.

Major E. M. Jackson, 88th C Infantry, arrived and landed *ex.* S. S. "Balduino," on the 6th October.

Captain G. W. G. Neill, Royal Scots, Captain J. G. B. Allardyce, R. F. A., Major L. A. C. Gordon, R. F. A., Captain G. H. Boileau, R. E., Lt.-Colonel E. L. Holloway, 64th Pioneers, Lt.-Colonel E. W. Pedder, 13th Hussars, Lieut J. D. Scale, 87th Punjabis, Lieut. T. C. Sinclaire, R. H. A., Lt.-Colonel A. Stokes, R. F. A., Captain G. D. Baillie-Hamilton, Royal Scots, Lt.-Col. H. T. Booking, 61st Pioneers, Captain B. C. Fellows, 30th Lancers, arrived and landed *ex.* S.S. "Persia," on the 11th October.

Departure.—Lt.-Col. E. A. Wieggin, 13th Hussars, per S.S. "Arabia," on the 12th October

II. The undermentioned Officers arrived at Bombay per Hired Transport "Dongola," on the 9th October and landed on the 10th October :—Colonel H.F.M Wilson, Staff, Lieuts. Colonels, S. F. Freyer R. A. M. C., G. H. Barefoot, R. A. M. C, Brevet Major C. H. Cobb, Oxford L. F., Majors R. P. Maxwell, 1st Lincolns, R. F. Bell, Durham, L. F. Captains F. O. Wyatt, M.B., R.G.A., R. G. Horsfall West Riding, L. E. S. Ward, 1st Ox. L. Infantry, G. Collins, I. O. D., W. B. Sudd, A.O.D., M. C. Wetherell, R.A.M.C., J. D. Richmond, R.A.M.C., R. B. Hole, Lieuts. and R. M. H. W. Naylor R.F.A., F. W. S. Murray, 12th Lancers, S. R. Reeves, R.A., R. Wood, 1st Warwicks, H.N. North, R.E., J. L. Sleeman, 1st R. Sussex, R. S. Smyth, R.A.M.C., A. H. Bond, R.A.M.C., W. J. Davis, 2nd, K.R.R.C., H. D. M. Stevenson, 2nd Leicesters, C. V. Martin, J.A., Sub-Lieuts. J. C. Bird, R.I.M., A. H. G. Duke, R.I.M., 2nd Lieuts. H. P. Steel, Y. and L., R. L. Toynbee, 1st Lincolns, R. W. Barker, U. List, R. W. L. Vaughan, R. W. Fus., 2nd Lieuts. M. H. Beattie, Wilts., F. G. Peake, W. Rid., W. G. Stover, U. List., F. Bailward, Som L. I., L. L. Stable, R. W. Fus., G. E. M. Whittuck, Som. L. I., J. F. P. Butler, K.R.R.C., W.F. Blacker, 2nd R. I. Fus., J. H. M. Mee, Wilts., C. D. May, 2nd E. Yorks. W. E. C. Terry, 1st Ox. L. Infantry, C. Carter, 1st Lancs., F. N. Lane, 1st Lancs., G. E. M. Skinner, Liverpools, E. A. F. Rube, 1st Dragoons, and J. V. Godfrey, 2nd Worcesters, Captain and Q.-M. F. Birch, 1st Dragoons, Major and Q.-M. W. A. Webb, 2nd E. Lancs. Captain and Q.-M. E. Bankers, 1st Manchesters, 2nd Lieut. G. C. Fleetwood, R. S. Fus., Lieut. E. G. Lawson, R.F.A., 2nd Lieut. V. C. Duberly, R.F.A., Lieut. P. Prime, K.S.L.I., 2nd Lieut. H. D. B. Grant, R.F.A., Lieuts. H. S. Hutchinson, I.M.S., T. S. Paterson, 19th Lancers, G. V. Farrell, 51st Sikhs, E. W. H. Marsh, 13th Rajputs, J. F. McKain, 34th Sikhs Prs., G. T. Dennys, 31st Punj., M. Ware, 14th Sikhs, K. Barge, 17th Cavalry, C. Jarvis, 20th Horse, G. Channer, 14th Sikhs, P. A. Stilwell, R.F.A., G. F. Raikes, S.W.B., Lieuts. H. Prescott 69th Punjabis, G. N. Ford, 105 Mahrattas McKintosh, 5th Cavalry, Baddeley, Indian Army.

ARRIVAL OF R. I. M. STEAMERS.

R. I. M. S. "Dufferin."

The Royal Indian Marine steamer "Dufferin," Commander T. A. L. de Berry, R. I. M., arrived in harbour yesterday morning from Aden, which port, she left on the 11th October. She brought a company of the R. G. Artillery 81st Pioneers 116th Maharattas and details, consisting of 18 officers, 2 ladies, 4 warrant officers, 1 woman, 104 men, rank of ill 6 women, and 2 children, 23 native officers, 915 men, 78 public and private followers, 4 horses, 8 dogs, and 1 gazelle, and Government stores. The following are the names of the officers :—

Mrs and Miss Henderson, Staff
Major Tancock, R G A
Lieut Barker, R G A
Lieut Hatford, R G A
Major Stevens, 81st Pioneers
Capt Watson, 81st Pioneers
Lt Cochran, 81st Pioneers
Lt Alexandra, 81st Pioneers
Lieut Bean, 81st Pioneers

Major Andrew, 116th Mahratta
Capt Hunter, 116th M'atta
Capt Stewart, 116th M'atta
Capt Holmes, 116th M'atta
Lt Waymen, 116th M'atta
Lt McDonnell, 116th M'atta
Lt Ayscaugh, 116th M'atta
Major White Combe, 116th Mahratta
Lieut Mc Cloughlin, R G A
Capt Steele, I M S

R. I. M. S. "NORTHBROOK."

The Royal Indian Marine steamer "Northbrook," Commander G. A. Rose, R. I. M., arrived in harbour yesterday morning from Rangoon, which port, she left on the 7th October, and called at Madras en route. She brought details consisting of 7 officers, 4 ladies, 6 children, 5 warrant officers, 3 women, and 6 children, 285 non-commissioned officers and men, 15 women, and 27 children. The following are the names of the passengers :—

Lt.-Col. A. J. Richardson and wife, Major T. L. Coxhead, Capt. A. H. Moberly, Lieut. V. H. L. Pellew, 79 Co., R. G. A., Capt. W. Crosthwait R. A. M. C., wife of Commander Hewett, and 2 children, wife of Commander D. F. Venis and 2 children, Lieut. Blanford, Mrs. Coxhead and 2 children, Capt. J. L. Shore, Sergt.-Major Wright, Q.-M.-S. Backerton wife and 2 children, Color-Sergt. L Richardson, wife and 2 children, Color Sergt.-Bayley, wife and 2 children, Mr. Thomas.

SEDITION AND THE PRESS.

Commonsense View.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

ALLAHABAD, OCTOBER 17.

Some interesting points connected with the law of sedition, dealt with in a case, have just been decided by Mr. Stanyon, Additional Judicial Commissioner Central Provinces. In deciing whether the press wherein seditious articles are printed can be confiscated Mr. Stanyon, after carefully analysing certain "obiter dicta" of Messrs. Justices Fletcher and Mittra in the "Jugantar Sadhana" press case, feels called upon strongly to dissent from those Judges' views. In annulling the Magistrate's decree of confiscation the learned Judges of the Calcutta High Court laid down, among other things, that the provisions of Section 507 of the C. P. C., were limited to cases of offences relating to property or to documents and that a printing press was too remote to be regarded as the instrument for the commission of tne offence within the meaning of that Section.

Mr. Stanyon can find no justification for "whittling down" the phraseology of the Section "in a manner which seems, with due respect, to violate the elementary canons of interpretation which would lead our criminal courts into endless confusion and difficulty in disposing of documents and things produced before them or placed in their custody for various purposes connected with proceedings held by them."

He also is unable to follow the Calcutta Judges in their dissertations as regards the instrumentality of the press. For effective sedition it is all but indispensable that the offender or offenders should have the use of some instrument which is capable of speedily manifolding the orsginal writing, and "it seems to me" says Mr. Stanyon, "that when a printing press is used for this purpose it is the most prominent instrument of offence in that it lends peculiar and signal assistance to that form of publication which converts the offence into serious crime. Such printing, far from being a remote act, is not only immediately proximate to, but an essential part of, the act of publication which completes the offence."

DUSSERA IN MYSORE.

Final Procession.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

MYSORE, OCTOBER 17.

Yesterday's State Procession, which practically terminated the Dussera as a religious celebration, was a brilliant spectacle which all Mysore and numbers of people from outlying villages witnessed. It is estimated that not less than thirty thousand people formed the crowd that watched the pageant. The Procession left the Jogan Mohan Palace about half past four and took a route through Curzon Park, past the Town Hall, Telegraph Offices, Government House and on to Coles Gardens about three miles out of Mysore. The whole route was splendidly decorated with flags and arches.

The order of the Procession was somewhat as follows:—

First came the Body Guard of Palace Elephants, followed by two Regiments of the Local Service Lancers; then the Maharaja's Imperial Service Lancers, a Battery of Bullock Artillery, Transport Corps, and three Regiments of Infantry accompanied by their respective Bands, then three elephants with howdas escorted by Cavalry, the Maharaja's Household Guards bearing the emblems of State. Immediately behind these rode Yuveraja Colonel Desaraj Urs; then followed the Maharaja's Band and a special escort and the Maharaja seated in a howda on the State elephant. Cheers rended the air when the Maharaja passed by and the most loyal feelings were exhibited on all sides. Following the Maharaja came the rest of the escort, more troops, the Dewan and all the Chief Officers of State in carriages. The Procession reached Coles Gardens about 7-30 and there a grand Military display took place, the troops forming up and marching past saluting the Maharaja who subsequently descended and went through the ceremony of shooting an arrow at a plantain tree. The Procession then returned to the Palace in the same order, reaching Jogan Mohan Palace about 11 o'clock. The streets were brilliantly illuminated all along the route, Curzon Park, especially, presenting a scene of great brilliancy.

Arrived at the palace a short durbar was held, the function concluding about midnight. Special arrangements were made for the accommodation of European guests to witness the procession from the balcony of a two storeyed building in front of the Town Hall and the upper floors of all the houses in the vicinity were thronged with sightseers. The Hon'ble the British Resident and Mrs. Williams were present and watched the procession both when going out and returning.

The cattle show in connection with the Mysore Industrial and Agricultural Exhibition opened this morning. There is a fair show of cattle of all grades. This afternoon there will be athletic sports, bull fights and ram fights in the Exhibition grounds.

SCARCITY IN THE PUNJAB.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

DELHI, OCTOBER 17.

There are definite indications that the projected Military Manœuvres of the Seventh Meerut Division, in the Delhi District, and the Artillery Practice Camp at Tuklughabad are abandoned on account of the supervening famine conditions. Ata (wheat flour) is now selling at seven and a half seers to the rupee and ghee at twelve chattacks to the rupee.

FIRE IN A SILK FACTORY.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LUCKNOW, OCTOBER 17.

A fire occurred at Kalakankar Raja Rampal Singh's place on Monday which completely destroyed the building in which his silk and cocoon industry is carried on, whilst his aerated water factory was badly scorched and saved only by great exertions. The origin of the fire was a spark which reached a thread in the silk reeling. Though the Ganges runs close to Raja's buildings there were no means available of getting the water to play on the burning building and the fire burned itself out. If the direction of wind had changed the fire would have been much more serious. The Raja himself was on the scene directing operations.

THE ANGLO-RUSSIAN CONVENTION.

Proposed Reduction of the Army.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

ALLAHABAD, OCTOBER 17.

A "Pioneer" special cablegram says that it is stated in official circles that the Government is contemplating further reductions in the Military forces, both at home and in India, as a result of the Anglo-Russian Agreement.

THE NEW GOVERNOR.

A Maratha Welcome.

A very large gathering, called by Messrs. W. D. Bhogle and others and presided over by Rao Saheb Balkrishna Bhivaji Tanaji Nakhva Parel, J. P., on Wednesday at the premises of the Shri Vithoba Temple, in Nava Nagpada, passed the following Resolution amid loud cheers :—

The meeting of Maratha and other classes backward in education, on this Hindu auspicious day of Dussera (Wednesday 16th October) at Nava Nagpada Vithoba Temple, take the opportunity of welcoming to this presidency Sir George Sydenham Clarke, G. C. M. G., F. R. S., the Governor-Designate of Bombay, and sincerely hope that the period of His Excellency's administration will be one of peace, prosperity and progress, and that the problems of Free Primary Education, of settling the complaints of the masses regarding suitable accommodation at reasonable rates in Bombay, and of preventing plague, will be seriously taken in hand this year.

THE OFFICIATING GOVERNOR.

Municipal Corporation "At Home."

The Hon'ble Mr. Vithaldas Damodher Thackersy was 'At Home' yesterday afternoon in the Municipal Council Chambers, to a distinguished assembly for the purpose of meeting H. E. the Hon'ble Mr. Muir Mackenzie, the officiating Governor who hands over charge of his office to Sir George Sydenham Clarke this morning.

Municipal entertainments now promise to become a feature of public functions in Bombay; the beginning was made by Mr. James MacDonald three years ago when he was President of the Corporation, by entertaining the late Governor, Lord Lamington, to a banquet in the City Hall. Subsequently the same Governor was entertained at an afternoon party given by the Hon'ble Sir Pherozeshah M Mehta; and these entertainments were found to be very successful in bringing members of Government and of the Corporation into closer relations. The Hon'ble Mr. Muir Mackenzie had effectively settled two important Municipal questions which had been a source some contention between Government and the Municipality for some time past; so he was received yesterday afternoon as a very popular Governor, and Municipal Councillors were very cordial and enthusiastic in the reception they accorded to him.

The Municipal Hall was gaily decorated for the occasion.

On his arrival the Hon. Mr. Muir Mackenzie was received by the President, supported by Mr. S. M. Edwards the Municipal Commissioner, the Hon. Sir Pherozeshah M. Mehta and the Hon'ble Mr. Owen Dunn.

His Excellency was then conducted into the Council Hall, and past and present members of the Corporation introduced to him.

Amongst those present were :—The Hon'ble Sir Steyning Edgerley; The Hon'ble Mr. R. P. Barrow; Sir Sassoon David; Mr. H. O. Quin; Mr. E. F. Nicholson; Mr. Stanley Reed; Mr. G. O. Plinston; Mr. P. G. Messent; Mr. E. M. Proes; Mr. James MacDonald; Mr. S. M. Edwards; Mr. Joseph Hall; Mr. J. A. D. McBain; Mr. A. M. Tod; Mr. H. G. Gell; Mr. G. Lund; Mr. A. K. Leslie; Mr. Edwin Bollam; Sir Bhalchandra Krishna; the Hon'ble Mr. Ebrahim Rahimtulla; the Hon'ble Mr. C. H. Setalvad; Messrs. Chunilal V. Mehta; Cawasji Jehangir Readymoney; Fazulbhoy Currimbhoy Ebrahim; Jamshedji A. Wadia; Mahomedbhoy Currimbhoy Ebrahim; Jaffer Rahimtulla; Kazi Kabiruddin; Khan Bahadur Abdul Razan bin Kirtaz; Rao Bahadur Dhakji Kashinath; Dr. Viegas; Dr. de Monte; Rao Bahadur V. K. Vandekar; the Hon'ble Mr. H. Dikshit; Dr. Jehangir J. Cursetji; Mr. Jamshedji Cursetji Jamshedji; Dr. N. H. Sukhia; Messrs. Narayen Trimbak Vaid; N. V. Mandlik; Dinshaw E. Wacha; S. K. Barodawalla; S. S. Mistry; T. N. Kajiji; Dr. N. H. Choksi; Mr. Behramji Banaji; Dr. Dinshaw B. Master; Mr. Behramji N. Seervai; Mr. R. D. Setna; and Mr. B. N. Apakhtyar.

THE PRESIDENT'S SPEECH.

The Hon. Mr. Vithaldas D. Thackersy then addressed His Excellency as follows :—

Your Excellency,—On behalf of the Members of this Corporation you will permit me to express our deep sense of gratitude for your kindly accepting our invitation and for the pleasure given to all of us in meeting Your Excellency at this social function, held in accordance with the precedent set in recent years by two of my predecessors in the Presidentship. Your Excellency's earnest and sympathetic interest in the Municipal administration of this Presidency and particularly of this City is too well-known to require recapitulation. It is a matter of gratification to the inhabitants of this City that during Your Excellency's short term of office two of the most important questions in which the Corporation and the City are deeply concerned have been finally settled to the general satisfaction The City owes very much to the personal interest which Your Excellency took in effecting a satisfactory settlement of the question of overbridges, the absence of which has been a cause of the greatest inconvenience and annoyance to the citizens. The final stages of the settlement relating to the long standing dispute about the Police Charges were conducted under Your Excellency's sympathetic auspices, and the gratitude of the Corporation is due to Your Excellency's Government for the happy issue that has been reached. I should not however forget the part taken by Lord Lamington and specially by the Hon. Sir Steyning Edgerley to whose strenuous efforts in this matter we owe so much.

Your Excellency's recent sympathetic and statesman-like utterances have touched the hearts of the people of this Presidency and I am expressing the sentiments not only of the citizens of Bombay but of the inhabitants of the whole Presidency in conveying to Your Excellency our best wishes for your continued welfare. Your Excellency will allow me once again to express our gratitude for the honour you have done us to-day.

GOVERNOR'S REPLY.

H. E. the Hon. Mr. Muir Mackenzie said :—"Hon. Mr Vathaldas and gentlemen of the Corporation,—I feel that it is by no means for you to thank me for attending this gathering, but for me on the contrary to thank you for having extended to me, a merely *ad in'ermi* Governor, the courtesy, which you have shown and propose to show to successive Governors by inviting them to meet the Corporation in this unceremonious and friendly fashion. I asure you that it would never have entered into my mind to have felt neglected if you had omitted to ask me to meet you, and I find it impossible to regard your having, for this purpose, placed me on the same plane as permanent Governors of Bombay, as any thing less than a distinction and personal compliment.

It would be utterly wrong of me to take credit for all the kind things your President has been good enough to say. My own contribution to the settlement of the question of the Police Charges has been slight. Perhaps I may claim some hand in the decision to entrust negotiations and give a free hand to my friend the Hon. Sir Edgerly. (Applause.) That is no small point, for I doubt whether anyone else among us could have arranged matters with you so promptly and satisfactorily. In the matter of the overbridges, I had more personally to do. But even there I should have been helpless, but for the warm support given me by Lord Lamington and Sir Steyning, (Applause.) We have not yet heard how one of the great railway companies concerned regards this settlement. But I refuse to believe that they will be in any way unreasonable to block the way to a solution of a problem on which all other parties have come to an agreement. These two settlements encourage me to believe that there are very few problems, whether great or small, which are likely to come forward for discussion between Government, and the Corporation, which will not be found capable of solution by means of that admirable method—the round-table conference. Many members of that kind of conference are men who know each other on friendly and equal footings, as on occasions of this sort, they are bound to succeed. For they meet on a basis of goodwill and mutual confidence. That is why I attach such extreme value to the breaking down of social barriers, an object which as you know I am endeavouring to promote to the best of my ability, with the co-operation of many willing friends, both Indian and European, ladies as well as gentlemen.

Gentlemen, this is the last opportunity which I shall have of making any public utterance as Governor, and I cannot let it pass without thanking all members of the community, official and non official, Indian and European, for their attitude towards me. Not only has the respect and support been given which I am confident would be afforded to every man, who happens to be placed in the office and tries to do his duty there; but the opportunity has been seized by everyone to show such marked kindness and warmth of feeling, that my brief tenure of office has been one of extraordinary pleasure, and will remain in my memory as 'the time of my life.' Of that kindness, I regard this evening's entertainment as the crowning example.

Gentlemen, in a recent speech I have talked of aspirations. You will not be surprised to hear that having tasted of the sweets of the Governorship, I should be human and weak enough to wish that the permanent tenure of the Governorship were within the reach of the men who serve in this country the best part of their lives, and who yield to none, no, not to those born in it, in their affection for it, and devotion to its interests. But while confessing to this weakness, I would not have you for a moment imagine that I and other servants of the Crown in this Presidency do not appreciate the great benefit which accrues to India from the tenure of the Governorship by statesmen who have made their mark and gained their experience is England or the Colonies, and over a far wider sphere than any of us can work in. They bring to our councils a breath of view which it is difficult for us to acquire. And I think we may justly hope that when a Local Government unites in itself the expert knowledge of this country, with the higher and wider experience and selected talent of other parts of the Empire, such weight will attach to its decisions as may encourage higher authorities to repose a special measure of trust in it, and by liberal delegation and decentralisation to give it a free hand in the administration of local concerns.

Gentlemen, I will not detain you any further except to thank you once again for the great honour and compliment which you have paid me by asking me to meet you." (Loud applause.)

Tea and light refreshments were then served, and after being garlanded and presented with a suberb bouquet by the President, the Hon'ble Mr. Muir Mackenzie left amid cheers.

WOMEN'S INTERESTS.

AN EVENTFUL WEEK.

Diabolo.

(FROM OUR LADY CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, SEPTEMBER 27.

This has been quite an eventful week in Town. To begin with we have had the hottest day of the year. It is true the maximum temperature was only a paltry eighty degrees, but that modest level is a whole three degrees higher than any previously recorded during 1907. And in the second place, here in the heart of London with the prosaic Strand Registry Office for its setting, another chapter in one of the most extraordinary Royal romances of the century was begun.

Few of the hundreds who throng the Strand at mid-day knew that the Countess Montignoso, who might have been Queen of Saxony to-day if she had not tired of the iron atmosphere of the Court and fled with her children's tutor, was to marry Signor Toselli, an Italian musician, at the Strand Registry Office on Wednesday afternoon.

The Countess, who has been staying in London for seven weeks past, had indeed kept the secret remarkably well, for it is a matter of common knowledge that the Saxon Court was very eager to prevent the marriage. Up to the very last the time and place of the ceremony was an absolute secret, and in addition to the Registrar and his assistants there were only three persons present. One of these was Mr. William Le Queux, the famous novelist, who is a close personal friend of the Countess, and has often entertained her at his villa at Florence.

Few Royal ladies, even of the ill-fated Hapsburg House of which she is a member, have seen so many vicissitudes as the Countess who has just been so romantically wedded. She was brought up in the stern atmosphere of a religious home, and was still in her teens when she attracted the attention of the Crown Prince of Saxony. She at first refused to marry him but eventually yielded to the persuasions of her father, the Grand Duke of Tuscany. The wedding took place at Vienna in 1891, and they lived together for eleven years, during which seven children were born, two of whom died.

The Countess was born in 1870 and is consequently thirty-seven years of age. She looks both handsome and good natured. Her hair is dark and her figure full and she dresses very quietly and in good taste. No one who saw the Countess at her Norfolk-street Hotel would have guessed for a moment that the quiet middle aged lady was the Princess whose escapades have been the talk of the Courts of Europe. Her husband, Signor Toselli, is only twenty-four, boyish for his age, and is as yet unknown to fame in this country.

"CARMEN" MARRIED.

This is not the only romantic marriage of this week, for yesterday the news leaked out that earlier in the month Mlle. Zelie de Lussan, the famous operatic singer, had married Signor Angelo Fronani. This bridegroom too is an Italian pianist. The happy couple have gone to America for their honeymoon. It was here they first met four years ago when Mlle. de Lussan was giving a series of concerts with the Signor as pianist. Mlle. de Lussan is young and pretty and is one of the favourite stars of the modern Opera House. As "Carmen" her fame is European.

THE SPANISH BABY.

The baby Prince of the Asturias is after all to accompany the King and Queen of Spain when they visit us in a few weeks time. The Spanish grandees, I am given to understand by a friend in Madrid, by no means view this change of plan with favour, for it is part of the Court etiquette of Spain that the King and the Heir-Apparent, even when that heir-apparent counts his age in months, shall not be absent from Spain at the same time. But the Anglicising of Spanish customs has been one of the inevitable results of King Alfonso's marriage, and the Royal Baby's mother was anxious to show her son to her relatives in England. While the King and Queen pay their round of visits, the princeling will be left in charge of his grandmother Princess Henry of Battenburg at Osborne Cottage. King Alfonso and his Queen will be the guests of the King and Queen at Sandringham. Queen Ena will, however, cut short her round of visits in order to spend a little while at her old home, Kensington Palace, where she will be joined by her mother and the all-important baby.

PRESENTS FROM MARIENBAD.

The King is a great present giver. Not only does he observe the custom of giving presents at Christmas time and birthdays, but after holiday abroad he makes a point of bringing back a selection of interesting gifts for the fortunate people who count themselves friends of the King of England. From Marienbad, for instance, he has brought back several beautiful specimens of Venetian glass. One such souvenir in the form of a delicately moulded swallow poised on a slender glass branch was a little gift for Lady Paget. Venetian glass and the embroidery and lace for which Bohemia is famous will figure among King Edward's Christmas presents this year. Another interesting purchase made by him at Marienbad was a large number of very choice furs, a Bohemian speciality. White fox and ermine were the pelts chosen by the King.

Speaking of furs by the way there is an interesting little novelty to be found at the fashionable furriers this season. This the Beau Brummel cravat which attains perfection in ermine but can be made in almost every kind of fur. The new cravat is quite simple, one pointed end being drawn through a narrow fur strap attached to the other. The cravat is thus fastened tightly round the throat in bow fashion with the pointed ears at the side. The effect is delightfully chic. The Beau Brummel cravat is, of course, intended to be worn with the collarless coats that are now the rule.

ENGAGEMENT OF THE SEASON.

It is now practically certain that the very interesting wedding of Viscount Curzon and his beautiful cousin Miss Mary Curzon, of which I have before written, will take place in London. Miss Mary Curzon whose glowing beauty won all hearts in the past season is a real country girl. She made her debut at a Hunt Ball in the Midlands and would have liked a country wedding. She is now staying with her aunt the Duchess of Abercorn and arrangements are being made for the wedding to take place in town. A very big affair it will be too. It is not unlikely that the King and Queen will be present, for the bridegroom's family is most popular at Court.

THE ROSE OF AUTUMN.

For one thing we have cause to be grateful to the late summer. Thanks to the rain of the early season and the brilliant September sunshine, we are now enjoying a wealth of roses such as has never before been known in an English autumn. Tons of beautiful blooms are pouring into Covent Garden Market where chrysanthemums and asters, the usual flowers of Autumn, are at a discount and the September hostess is decorating her rooms and dinner tables with roses fairer than any that bloomed in June, the traditional month of roses.

The display of autumn roses is really very remarkable. At the Autumn Rose Show the other day, which was quite one of the fashionable events in Town, I was talking to Mr. Dickson, of the famous firm in County Down who are the premier rose growers of the world.

"It may be another fifty years," he said, "before there is such a display of autumn roses in the United Kingdom." The September rose garden has even produced a new rose. The new bloom, the Avoca, was grown in the land of the Shamrock. It is a rich crimson in colour faintly tinged with purple and if properly used is very decorative it its effect. It is not the rose for table decorations. However, the red rose which has a suggestion of yellow or orange in its shading, always lights up better under artificial light than the rose that shades purple.

Although within the last few years the rose season has been extended in this country from May to December, the time is not yet nor even within measurable distance when roses will bloom all the year round.

THE RAGE FOR "DIABOLO."

"Diabolo" is now formally recognised as the successor of Ping Pong in the affections of the multitude.

The Ping Pong epidemic, it will be remembered, raged for nearly two years and then Ping Pong became as dead as the dodo and the dealers in games looked round for a successor. New games arose but failed to conquer, and shopkeepers sighed for the palmy days when the rhythmic Ping Pong of the little white celluloid balls was heard in the land. But the charms of "Diabolo" have been discovered and the game is now the latest craze. Of course, it is not new—what is new for the matter of that?—and it has been played in the nurseries of France and Belgium for many generations, but it has all the charm of novelty to us.

Everyone spends a portion of the year at the bright little seaside resorts on the French and Belgium coasts, and this year the spectacle of little foreign children balancing a curiously shaped tin cylinder on a piece of string, each end of which was attached to wooden batons, held in either hand, attracted the visitors with the result that at Ostend, Trouville, Deauville and Biarritz people dressed in the height of fashion might be seen assiduously practising "Diabolo" on the beach. After mastering the art of balancing the cylinder the player must learn to throw it as high as the tall white villas on the plage, watch its revolutions in the air and catch it on the string as it descends. When this stage of proficiency is reached, "Diabolo" may be played across a net.

"Diabolo" exercises an extraordinary fascination over its devotees, and garden party hostesses are now putting "Diabolo" in the corner of their cards instead of lawn-tennis. So popular, in fact, has the game become that on Saturday afternoons and holidays hundreds of young people may be seen practising it in the parks and on the commons.

PARTITION DAY IN CALCUTTA.

Shops and Markets Closed.

SWADESHI VOW RENEWED.

PEACEFUL PROCEEDINGS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, OCTOBER 17.

Every Bengali-owned shop and every Bengali bazar in Calcutta was completely closed to-day. An attempt was made to prevent any fish coming to the Sir Stuart Hogg Market for Europeans, but the Municipality succeeded in bringing some 300 large fishes and selling them to early comers at 12 to 14 annas a seer. Otherwise the day was very quiet, only a few Bengalis being seen with rakhis (yellow thread) round their wrists.

A procession is to be started at five p.m. from College Square for Green Park where before a large gathering the Swadeshi Vow is to be renewed and several resolutions carried.

LATER.

The public meeting held in Green Park this evening numbered several thousand. No police were present, but the crowd was remarkably peaceful and orderly and the proceedings passed off very quietly; in fact, nothing happened during the whole course of the day to disturb the peace of the inhabitants or to call for the interference of the police, who had taken elaborate precautions against any breach of the peace.

A NOTORIOUS THIEF CAPTURED.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, OCTOBER 17.

Kristo Das Byragee, a notorious thief, who was concerned in the Banstolla double murder case some time ago and convicted in a murder case at Chandernagore and sentenced to transportion for life, escaped with a number of others from the Pondicherry Jail recently, but was yesterday recaptured in Nimtolla Ghat Street, Calcutta, where he had hired a house and, according to his own confession, was about to commit another murder with robbery at Shampukar. His associates were also arrested. He has been placed before a Magistrate and the case is fixed for the 28th instant.

VENDETTA ON THE JHELUM.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LAHORE, OCTOBER 17.

On the night of the 13th instant, at the Jhelum Canal Works, one of the men of a Pathan gang of coolies was shot, while sleeping, by an enemy of his who came across from the North-West Frontier to take revenge. The assailant appears to have had some friends in the gang who showed the man, his victim. The assailant had a revolver of six chambers which he emptied. All the shots missed with the exception of two. One hit the man in his wrist which was broken and other passed through the right side of his stomach. The occurrence was at once reported to the Executive Engineer who repaired to the spot and in the morning the man was removed to the Jhelum Civil Dispensary where the bullet was extracted. The assailant slipped away and is still at large, apparently having proceeded to the Frontier. The police are making inquiries. Some of the coolies saw the assailant in Jhelum on the evening before the occurrence. The gang men say the assailant had a long standing feud with the man's family.

THE INDIAN EDUCATIONAL SERVICE.

Four New Appointments.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, OCTOBER 17.

The Secretary of State has made the following appointments to the Indian Educational Service:—(1) Mr. Alfred Charles Bray, B. A., of Jesus College, Cambridge, to be Professor of English at the Morris College, Nagpur, (2) Mr. Henry Lambert, B. A., of Trinity College, Cambridge, to be an Inspector of Schools in Bengal, (3) Miss Mary Elizabeth Honeyburne, M. A., Victoria University, Liverpool to be Junior Inspectress of Schools in Bengal; (4) Mr. W. S. Haddway to be Superintendent at the Madras School of Arts.

CRICKET IN POONA.

Poona Gymkhana vs Central India.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

POONA, OCTOBER 17.

This match stretched to three days and yesterday ended in favour of Poona Gymkhana by four wickets and four runs. In the first innings the Poona Gymkhana scored 373 and Central India 273, and in their second venture Central India compiled 253 and Poona 161 for seven wickets down. There were some tall contributions on both sides as the scores given below will show.—

CENTRAL INDIA.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Mr A E Collins, b Hannay	22	b Anstruther	12
Sahibzada Ahmed Khan l-b-w, b Hannay	17	Ahmed Khan, not out	63
Mr F D R Joy, b Anstruther	1	b Tillard	3
Capt L Fleming, c Armytage, b Anstruther	19	st Phillips, b Anstruther	19
Mr V A S Stowe, c Phillips, b Anstruther	91	c Tillard, b Hanney	34
Lt Crump, b Tillard	0	l-b-w b Anstruther	[illegible]
Major Prescott Dacie, b Tillard	17	b Anstruther	1
Mr Bapu Miah, b Anstruther	35	b Armytage	40
Mr Shanker Rao, c Rutter, b Phillips	31	c Rutter b Tillard	5
Mr Waterfield, not out	3	b Tillard	16
Capt Huddleston, b Leslie	9	b Armytage	0
Extras	16	Extras	52
Total	273	Total	257

POONA GYMKHANA.

1st Innings.		2nd Innings.	
Capt Rutter, c Waterfield, b Shanker Rao	72	c L Fleming, b Joy	32
Capt Lang, l b w B L Fleming	18	b Stowe	2
Mr Armytage, l b w B Shanker Rao	12	c Ahmed Khan, b Joy	34
Capt Anstruther, c and b Stowe	10	b Stowe	7
Major Leslie, c Collins, b Prescott Dacie	49	c Crump, b Joy	19
Mr Phillips, c Stowe, b Crump	97	b Stowe	25
Mr Tillard, b Stowe	35	not out	37
Mr Mangin, not out	31	c Stowe, b Crump	0
Mr Waller, st Ahmed Khan b Stowe	18	not out	21
Mr Lowman, b Stowe	6	Did not bat	
Mr Hanney, b Stowe	6		
Extras	19	Extras	10
Total	373	Total	161

A woman accidentally upset a hive of bees at Blue House Farm, Rawreth, Essex. The bees attacked a dog and two passing cyclists, the dog being stung to death and the cyclists suffering severely.

SPORTING NEWS.

MOUNTED SPORTS.

Bombay Gymkhana 17th Annual Meeting.

SECOND DAY.

The second day of the Bombay Gymkhana Sporting meeting took place yesterday, with the enclosure well filled. Entries again were big, much bigger than of recent years, and another capital evening's entertainment was gone through. Calling out the numbers of the competitors and the putting up of these for the result are a great help to competitors and as a consequence to go a long way towards making the events more interesting.

Very few of the eighteen entered for the opening event. Individual Tent-pegging on ponies, did not compete and the form throughout was excellent. After the two tries allowed, three were picked out to have a third try, having taken the peg on each occasion, but T.D. Moore, though he took on each occasion, was not sent again; presumably because he went too slow. Westropp successfully carried on this occasion and won, Griffith dropping his peg and Wilson only touching. The jumping on the whole was good, though the majority failed at the bags which seemed higher than usual. Seaton's Play Boy unfortunately refused at the first jump the first time, but so well did he jump on the next occasion that many thought him unlucky not to get a third try. T. L. Roberts' Chortler, Capt. Pratt's Boko and Griffith's Harkaway were picked to have a third try, and eventually Chortler won after jumping very cleanly taking the high bag jump perfectly. Of the others, Barraclough's Donald jumped well, but his chance was spoilt by bringing down the top rail through going too fast.

The Section Tent-pegging was fair, but the lining was poor and the Wanderers only won by a narrow margin after doing finely in the second run in Echelon, whereas the Freebooters did best in the first.

An exciting event was the Potato Spearing stakes which Captain Pratt won, as also the Victoria Cross Race won by Rice.

Previous Scurries seemed to give no indication for this Pony event, and it was a bit of a surprise to the majority to see E. C. Griffin waltz home like a professional on Captain Holme's Arbitrator, but the rest were well packed together.

The Affinity Race saw a very easy win for Mrs. McCausland and "Tommy" Moore by something like fifty lengths, with Miss Russell and L. Barraclough almost as easily second. It was an eye-opener to most people to see the ladies balancing a tennis ball on a racquet when at full gollop, and Mrs. McCausland, who won the aggregate cup for ladies, has to be congratulated. Mrs. Lambert and J. F. Seaton were the only other pair to finish.

Lastly came the Chattee race, a tantalising event for competitors who now more than ever seemed to realise that it was allowable to break other competitors' chatties when they were picked up, but they did no good in attempting to do so. Eventually T. D. Moore won fairly comfortably from Meikle and Clare.

The events were brought on well up to time and the officials have to be congratulated on the undoubted success of the second day of the meeting. We may expect as good sport on Saturday, the final day.

Results of the various events were as under:—

Individual tent-pegging—Ponies.

Mr. A. S. A. Westropp	1
Mr. R. E. H. Griffith	2
Mr. D. Wilson	3

Also competed:—Messrs. F. R. Hill, H. G. W. Meikle, J. M. C. Scott, Capt. B. C. Pratt, L. Barraclough, T. D. Moore, P. Edwards, Captain C. A. F. Hosken, J. St. J. Graham, A. M. C. Hewett, E. C. Griffin and H. C. Buckle.

JUMPING COMPETITION FOR HORSES.

Mr. T. L. Roberts' Chortler	1
Mr. R. E. H. Griffith's Harkaway	2
Captain A. C. Pratt's Boko	3

Also competed:—Mr. Stanley Carter's Firefly, Mr. J. F. Seaton's Play Boy Mr. F. R. Hill's Archie, Mr. P. J. Arnot's Pot Luck, Mr. E. C. Reid's Jumbo, Mr. D. D. Moore's De Wet, Mr. P. K. Retellack's The Kid, Mr. H. F. Busch's Jennie, Mr. T. L. Roberts' Early Dawn, Mr. A. H. Byrt's, Joker, Mr. L. Barraclough's Donald, Captain G. W. C. Lucas' Crusader, Mr. B. C. Reade's Janet, and Mr. Hill's horse.

SECTION TENT PEGGING.—Two runs (A) in line (B) in Echelon. Four cups presented by the Bombay Light Horse.

THE WANDERERS.

Capt. G. W. C. Lucas R. and E. H. Griffith T. L. Roberts Alister Forbes	1

THE FREEBOOTERS.

T. D. Moore Capt. A. C. Pratt J. M. C. Scott L. Barraclough	2

Also completed:—The Nondescripts, Bombay Light Horse No. 1 Team, the Corsairs.

POTATO SPEARING STAKES.—Competitors, mounted and provided with hog spears, will each be allotted a bucket. They will then ride given course to where potatoes will be found lying in rows of 3 each. Each rider will spear a potato and carry it to bucket. First man to get his three potatoes in bucket to win. Potatoes must only be taken one at a time. First in each heat to ride in final.

Capt. A. C. Pratt	1
Mr. R. E. H. Griffith	2
Mr. F. R. Hill	3

VICTORIA CROSS RACE.

Competitors to gallop up to zareba and rescue dummy figure. First home with dummy to win. The first in each heat to ride in the final.

Mr. G. D. Rice	1
Mr. A. M. C. Hewat	2
Mr. J. M. C. Scott	3

PONY SCURRY HANDICAP.

For all Ponies 14·1 and under that have never won a race of any description of the declared value of Rs. 50 or over, and that have competed but not necessarily raced at the Sports during the season. Distance Handicap. Catch weights Australians over 11·7, Arabs and C. B.'s over 11 st.

Capt. H. L. Holme's g aus p Arbitrator	E. C. Griffin	1
Mr. R. D. Richard's b aus g Bacchus	Owner	2
Mr. B. H. Mundy's g a p Ali	R. K. Franks	3

Also ran:—Mr. F. R. Hill's Billy (owner), Mr. T. D. Moore's Kitty (owner), Mr. John Greig's Lawrence (L. Barraclough), Mr. J. St. J. Graham Amir (owner).

Won easily by two lengths, a short head between second and third.

AFFINITY RACE.

Carrying Tennis Ball on Racquet.

Lady and gentleman ride together, the former carrying a tennis racquet with ball upon it. Should the lady let the ball fall, the gentleman must dismount and replace it on the racquet, repeating this as often as necessary. The course will be round the trees to a flag in front of shelter. Upon reaching the flag the lady will hand racquet to the Judge and obtain a length of ribbon. The partners will then return over same course holding the ribbon between them. Should either partner let the ribbon go, both will be disqualified. First pair in to win.

Mrs. McCausland Mr. T. D. Moore	1
Miss Russell Mr. L. Barraclough	2
Mrs. Lambert Mr. J. F. Seaton	3

CHATTIE RACE.

Competitors to ride given course, carrying stick to where chatties are placed on the ground. Chatties to be picked up at end of stick without dismounting. Any competitor may break another competitor's chattie while it is being carried. The first in each heat to ride in the final

Mr. T. D. Moore	1
Mr. H. G. W. Meikle	2
Mr. P. Clare	3

Five heats.

THE SECUNDERABAD REGATTA.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SECUNDERABAD, OCTOBER 14.

The Secunderabad Regatta drew out a large section of the fashionable members of society on Saturday last in glorious weather; though the clouds looked threatening as the evening shadows began to fall, nevertheless nothing happened to mar the rowing. It was much regretted that the Poona crew had been unable to keep their engagement to contest the "Fours," but it was only at the last moment that sickness compelled them to scratch. Major Wake, Cantonment Magistrate, who officiated as starter, took his place punctually at 4 p.m. in the Motor launch "Dreadnought" and the proceedings opened. In the Double Skulls Messrs. Wilson and Grey defeated Messrs. Potter and Durse, the latter being troubled owing to their row-locks being faulty. The Pairs Race was won by Mr. K. Burnett's boat after a good race, the time being 2 minutes, 42 seconds. In the race between the 2nd Infantry Brigade and Royal Artillery, the former won a hard contested race by 3/4 length, in 2 minutes 20 seconds. The Single Skulls was won easily by Mr. Skinner from Mr. Stevenson, in 2 minutes 37 seconds. The Pairs Final was won by the Royal Artillery crew by half a length, in 2 minutes 35 seconds. In the Canoe Race Mr. Minniken and Mr. Skinner were the contestants. This event afforded some amusement, as Mr. Skinner was unfortunate in having an upset into the water while averting a collision with his opponent, Mr. Minniken coming out an easy winner. The Tug-of-war between the Infantry and Artillery was a keenly contested event, and though the latter were beset with difficulties, they eventually won. His Excellency the Prime Minister was "At Home" and the prizes given away by Mrs. Rimington, wife of General Rimington, cheers being given for Mrs. Rimington, His Excellency the Minister, and Major Duxbury, Honorary Secretary of the Boat Club.

NEWS LATER THAN THE MAIL.

MORE BELGRADE ATROCITIES.

Untried Prisoners Murdered.

(FROM AUSTRALIAN PAPERS.)

COLOMBO, OCTOBER 17.

London, October 4.—Novakovics, a newspaper editor and a military officer, who opposed the murder of King Alexander, and who have long been imprisoned on a minor charge without trial, have been murdered in prison at Belgrade by Gendarmes. The relatives of the deceased now charge the Prefect of Police with the murder. With one exception the Belgrade newspapers denounce the official murders. It is considered that the tragedy illustrates the Government's persecution of those who opposed the assassination of King Alexander.

Novakovics was offered his liberty on condition that he ceased attacking the reigning dynasty, but he refused to accept of the conditions.

A Princess's Debts.

Princess Louise, eldest daughter of the King of Belgium, and divorced wife of Prince Philip of Saxe-Coburg Gotha, has incurred debts amounting to £200,000 pounds notwithstanding that her income is only five thousand pounds per annum. A syndicate is being formed for the purpose of liquidating the Princess's debts.

Slanderous Socialism.

ATTACK ON LORD CROMER.

Mr. Victor Grayson, the Socialist M. P., speaking, at Huddersfield yesterday referred to Lord Cromer's connection with Egypt as British Agent at Cairo and also to the Parliamentary grant of £50,000 as recognition of his Egyptian services. He said the National Exchequer was being depleted to fill the maw of an idle, cruel parasite who was a curse to the race.

Krupp's Want More Work.

GERMANY'S PROGRAMME OF ARMAMENT.

The Berlin correspondent of the "Standard" says: It is reported at Essen that Krupp's Works are discharging 3,000 workmen owing to the decrease in orders.

Germany, it is reported, has decided to recast completely the plans of fortifications in Alsace Lorraine owing to the present plans having been sold to France.

As the Government yards are overworked Germany has distributed among private yards, orders for the new warships, the expenditure for which amounts to seven and a half millions sterling which were authorised during the last session of the Reichstag.

German Sub-Marine's Record.

A German sub-marine, fitted with two petroleum motors, has steamed 700 miles without renewing fuel, thus surpassing all previous distance records.

Russian Forts to be Dismantled.

Russia has decided to dismantle the naval fortresses at Libau, Sveaborg and Ustdivinsk in the Baltic and at Kertch and Batoum in the Black Sea, retaining only those at Kronstadt, Sebastopol and Vladivostock.

Germany's Naval Head-Quarters.

NEW DOCKS NEAR BREMEN.

Docks are being constructed at Wilhelmshaven, forty-five miles north-west of Bremen, with a view to that fort becoming the Headquarters of the German Navy instead of Kiel.

Fatal Accident to a Prince.

Prince Carl of Thurm and Taxis, while playing with other German officers at Potsdam, broke his neck while sliding down some bannisters.

The Irish Unrest.

EPISCOPAL WARNING.

Cardinal Logue, Archbishop of Armagh and Primate of all Ireland, speaking at Derry, warned Irishmen against an alliance with English Socialists.

The American Cup.

SWEDEN TENDS A CHALLENGE

The Swedish Yacht Club has challenged the New York Yacht Club to a race for the America Cup.

Affairs in Morocco.

MULAI-HAFID IN TROUBLE.

Mulai-Hafid, Sultan of South-West Morocco, is confiscating the property of wealthy Moors and Jews in order to pay his troops who threaten to desert him. His influence is declining since the arrival at Rabat of his brother, Abdul Aziz, the Sultan at Fez.

Abdul Aziz has sent Tazzi, his Finance Minister to Paris to pawn his jewels.

America Ignoring Protection.

A COAL PROBLEM.

To prevent the inflation of price by American Contractors, the States Government will shortly ask the Cardiff Coal Companies to tender for £200,000 worth of coal for the fleet of Battleships about to leave for the Pacific.

Land in Ontario.

AMERICAN PURCHASERS REFUSED.

The Province of Ontario is declined to sell to a United States Syndicate, a million acres of land northward of the Hudson Bay watershed. The price offered by the Syndicate is a million dollars which is double the price charged settlers.

Hooligans in Paris.

LYNCHING BAND FORMED.

Owing to Hooligans having terrorised. Paris the citizens have organized a force armed with revolvers truncheons, handcuffs, and dark lanterns for the purpose of lynching Hooligan gangs.

ARCHBISHOP OF BOMBAY IN QUETTA.

Opens New Business Premises.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

QUETTA, OCTOBER 17.

On the 16th instant His Grace the Right Reverend Dr. H. Jurgens, Roman Catholic Archbishop of Bombay, solemnly blessed the fine new business premises of Messrs. Simon and Co. Prominent in the great crowd present at the opening and blessing ceremony were Sir Henry McMahon, K. C. I. E., C.S.I., and the Very Revd. Father H. Boese, Superior of the Roman Catholic Mission in Bombay Presidency. The Choir of the Roman Catholic Parish Church executed beautiful selections of sacred music and the Band of the 127th Baluchis was lent by the Officers of the Regiment.

The Parish priest, Revd. Father Wallrath, gave an eloquent "ex-tempore" address which was greatly applauded and to which Sir Henry McMahon replied in most appropriate words.

WEEKLY PLAGUE MORTALITY.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, OCTOBER 17.

There were in all India in the week ending the 12th instant, for which figures are to-day published, 9,277 deaths, of which 6,712 were in the Bombay Presidency, 349 in the Punjab, 535 in the Central Provinces and Berar, and 571 in the Mysore State.

PUBLIC COMPANY MEETINGS.

BOMBAY STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

THE second ordinary general meeting of the Bombay Steam Navigation Company, Limited, was held yesterday evening at the registered office of the Company in Apollo street. Mr. F. A. Reddie presided.

The Directors' Report stated:—

The working of the year resulted as follows:—The total profits of the Company after making all provision for Working Expenses, Insurance and Agents' Commission, amounted to Rs. 6,22,669-10-10. From this must be deducted the sum of Rs. 1,62,064 paid as "ad interim" Dividend in January 1907 at the rate of 6 per cent. per annum on both the Ordinary and Preference Shares, leaving a balance of Rs. 460,605-10-10. Out of this sum your Directors set aside Rs. 1,72,940, for depreciation on steamers, launches, lighters, buildings, plant and other material and there remains a balance of Rs.2,87,665-10-10, of which Rs. 43,875 is absorbed in payment of a dividend of Rs. 7-8-0 per Preference Share (less Income Tax) for the second 6 months making 6 per cent. for the year, and your Directors now recommend the following payments out of the balance of Rs. 2,43,790-10-10:—

A Final Dividend of Rs. 7-8-0 per Ordinary Share (free of Income Tax) for the second six months, making 6 per cent. for the year, Rs. 1,26,250, to Preliminary Expenses, Rs. 13,759-5-6; a Bonus to Staff, Rs. 7,500; to Reserve Fund Account, Rs. 50,000: to Insurance Fund Account, Rs. 25,000; carrying forward a balance to next year's account from which income tax has to be provided, Rs. 21,281-5-4: total rupees 2,43,790-10-10.

N.B.—The Dividend in respect of the Ordinary Shares Nos. 16,001 to 18,000, allotted to Mr. Haji Ahmed Hassum is payable from 15th April 1907.

The Company's Navigation Services were performed without accident throughout the year. Favourable rains last monsoon resulted in heavy shipments from all ports, especially Mormugao where the trade is overtaking the resources of the port. One new passenger boat, and one new cargo boat have been added to the Company's Fleet; the first being the steamer S.S. "Kalika" built originally for Mr. Haji Ahmed Hassum who formerly competed for the Passenger Traffic on the Harbour Ferries until this Company, in April 1907 purchased his ships and shipping interests, and the second steamer S.S. "Sarasvati" built for carrying cargo and passengers, and she sailed from home on the 17th September.

These two boats along with those recently purchased from Mr. Haji Ahmed Hassum have materially augmented the number and increased the efficiency of the Company's Fleet. Owing to ill health, one of your Directors, Mr. F. A. Reddie, proceeded to Europe in September 1906, and returned in March this year; his place on the Board during his absence was temporarily filled by Mr. T. W. Birkett, who, on Mr. Reddie's return vacated. In April last Mr. Procter, left for England, his place being temporarily taken by Mr T. W. Birkett and you are asked to confirm his appointment. After the purchase of Mr. Haji Ahmed Hassum's steamers last April, the Directors invited Mr. Ahmed to accept the remaining vacancy on the Board recognising the value of his intimate knowledge of the local Coasting Trade, and you are asked to confirm his appointment also.

The Chairman in moving the adoption of the report, said:—In presenting to you the first Directors' Report on the working of the Bombay Steam Navigation Company, Limited, along with the audited accounts for the past year, you will naturally expect some remarks from your Chairman which may explain more fully the extent and working of the Company.

I trust you will be pleased at the satisfactory earnings from all sources, for although there has been a decrease in the earnings from direct shipment from Bombay to Karachi and *vice versa* owing to competition, yet owing to the increased shipments from such ports as Verawal and Porebunder due to the through booking arrangements entered into for the first time last season, the improved earnings of the Kathiawar lines, which include Karachi, are matters for congratulation. The actual earnings of the Company for the 12 months, just closed, as compared with those of previous years, appear to be very satisfactory notwithstanding a decrease on the Karachi and Goa Lines owing to the competition which has now entirely ceased.

The Company's fleet consist at present of 14 passenger steamers, 9 cargo and passenger steamers, 18 launches, 124 lighters and country craft, 26 jolly boats and tonies, having been augmented last April by some 18 craft belonging to Mr. Hajee Ahmed Hassum, who decided to cease competition in the Harbour ferry service and Goa Line and sell his fleet to this Company. Your Directors recognising the necessity of meeting the expansion of trade with Mormugoa and the gulf of Cutch, ordered another cargo vessel to be built, and she has been expeditiously built on the Clyde by Messrs. A. McMillan and Sons, Ld., and was succesfully launched on the 15th August and named the S. S. "Sarasvati," a name very happily suggested by Mr. Haji Ismail Hassum, who still takes a keen interest in the working of what were known for years as Shepherds' steamers, and retains a large pecuniary interest in this Company and it will no doubt interest him as much as you, to learn that the Company's steamers have carried in cargo 23,749 tons more during 1906-07 than during 1905-06, whilst the Passenger Boats made 573 more voyages. The actual number of passengers carried on both cargo and passenger boats, exclusive of the Goa Creek service and Jamnagar Toona Ferry service, show an increase of 425,654 over 1905-06. The re-establishing of the Harbour Ferry services in August last year, a month after the present Company took over the working of of Mr. Haji Ismail's steamers, proved a great boon to the travelling public who, since the cessation of a regular service in 1900, suffered very considerably inconvenience as they were dependant on country craft and the unreliable services of two small steamers, whereas now, there are regular sailings to and from Ulwa Dharamtor and Rewdanda; and the Government recognising that this service of steamers can be relied on, entered into a contract for the carriage of His Majesty's Mails, not only across the Harbour but also down the coast to Jayagad, Goa and Jamnagar, and have renewed these contracts for 1907-1908. I am glad to be able to point out also that your agents entered into a contract in July 1906 for the supply of some 120,000 tons of Desherghur coal during 1907, 1908, 1909, or some 40 tons a year, on the basis of Rs. 11-14 per ton; the favourable nature of this contract will be seen when you compare ruling rates for Bengal coal for this and next year; to-day ready Desherghur coal is quoted at Rs. 16½ per ton and for 1908 Rs. 15¼ per ton; so it is to be hoped that before December 1909, the rates will have dropped to a much lower level, as an increase of anything like Rs. 3½ a ton in our coal bill makes the very material difference of nearly 1½ lakhs in the economical working of the Company.

It is hoped that improvements in the harbour of Marmugoa and in the handling of cargo there may be made and that greater despatch may be possible, but unless the deplorable congestion in the Bombay Docks can be relieved, little good will accrue and efforts to turn round your steamers quickly will be stultified. The Bhavnagar State have expressed a desire that we should run our boats throughout the foul season to Bhownagar, and have promised to improve the facilities of that port, and, if a regular service can be maintained with due regard to the safety of the steamers and the crews, it would be a great advantage to the Company and the State. The shareholders will no doubt recognise the wisdom of writing off the sufficient form for depreciation on the steamers, plant and buildings, and putting Rs. 50,000 towards reserve fund, and Rs. 25,000 to insurance fund. The late owner did not consider it necessary to insure craft, but your Directors, with a view towards guarding your interests, had all the steamers insured for 75 per cent. of their value, the remaining risk of 25 per cent. being taken by the Company. Consequently, it is only right that a considerable sum should be allotted to our insurance fund and I may mention here that the favourable terms the fleet was last insured in London with Lloyd's have been improved this year. You will doubtless see that Marine and Fire Insurance premiums absorb nearly one lakh and depreciation on steamers, plant, and buildings one lakh and seventy-two thousand. An attempt is being made to make trips down the coast more attractive and with this in view the first class passenger accommodation on board our cargo steamers has been greatly improved, and a most pleasant trip by sea to the ancient and interesting city of Goa can be undertaken with comfort in about 30 hours. The Goa Creek service which this Company has resumed is a great convenience and efforts are made to meet the reasonable requirments of the travelling public there and elsewhere. You are asked to confirm the distribution of bonus of Rs. 7,500 among the staff of the Company, who have worked so zealously in the interest of the Company and who number, including all hands ashore and a float, some three thousand persons. Before I sit down I have been requested to bring to the notice of the holders of the preference shares that through an oversight the payment of the ad-interim dividend paid last January on these prefernce shares was made free of income-tax, and the Company's Solicitors and Auditors have pointed out this is illegal and that although the Company pay income-tax to save shareholders inconvenience, this tax should be deducted from the six per cent. dividend before paying the preference shares to the holders. So it is proposed to write off the amount of income-tax which was incorrectly paid away and not recovered as it should have been by deducting it when paying over the 6 per cent. last January, and I think I cannot do better than read Messrs. Little and Co.'s opinion."

The Directors' Report and Audited Statement of Accounts made up to 30th June last were adopted. A dividend at the rate of Rs. 6 per cent. per share was declared. Mr. Lalbhai Dalpabhai and the Hon'ble Mr. Vithaldas Damodher Thackersey were re-elected Directors. Messrs. A. F. Ferguson and Co. were re-appointed Auditors.

INDIAN COTTON COMPANY.

THE twenty-second ordinary general meeting of shareholders of this Company was held yesterday at the registered office, Church Gate Street, Mr. O. Meyer, Chairman of the Board of Directors, presiding.

The Directors' Report stated: "The past season has been fairly satisfactory. The Company's presses have turned out 58,792 bales as compared with 41,406 bales in the season 1905-06. The Directors are glad to report that joint working of presses has been arranged at Barsi and Hubli, which has materially added to the Company's profit. The profit amounts to Rs. 67,461-6-10, from which your Directors have set aside Rs. 6,000 to Depreciation Fund, leaving a balance of Rs. 61,461-6-10, which they propose to apportion as follows:—Rs. 56,250 in payment of a dividend at the rate of Rs. 11-4-0 per share equal to 9 per cent. and Rs. 5,000 to the fund for equalising dividends, carrying forward the balance of Rs. 211-6-10 to next year's account. Mr. P. A. Hormasji retires from the board by rotation, but is eligible for re-election."

The Directors' Report and the Statement of Audited Accounts were approved. A dividend of Rs. 11-1-4 per share was declared. Mr. P.A. Hormasji was re-elected a Director. Mr. Nasarvanji Sorabji Jamsetji and Mr. Erachshah P. Master were appointed Auditors on a remuneration of Rs. 250 each; and the proceedings closed with the usual compliment to to the Chairman.

NEW BERAR COMPANY.

The thirty-fourth annual meeting of shareholders of this Company was held yesterday at the registered office, Church Gate Street, Mr. O. Meyer, Chairman of the Board of Directors, presiding.

The Directors' Report stated: "The past season has been fairly satisfactory. The Company's presses have turned out 52,178 bales as compared with 39,871 bales in season 1905-06. The total pressing in Berar and Khandesh in the past season, where there is joint working of presses, was much less than in the previous season, which has reduced the Company's profit to some extent. The profit amounts to Rs. 58,385-7-9, from which your Directors have set aside Rs. 5,000 to Depreciation Fund, leaving a balance of Rs. 53,385-7-9, which they propose to apportion as follows:—Rs. 50,000 in payment of a dividend at the rate of Rs. 40 per share equal to 8 per cent. and Rs. 3,000 to the fund for equalising dividends, carrying forward the balance of Rs. 385-7-9 to next year's account. Mr. Chubildas Lulloobhoy retires from the Board by rotation, but is eligible for re-election."

The Directors' Report and the Audited Accounts were adopted and confirmed. A dividend was declared. Mr. Chubildas Lulloobhoy was re-elected a Director. Mr. Nasarvanji Sorabji Jamsetji and Mr. Nasarvanji Sorabji Bunshah were appointed Auditors with a remuneration of Rs. 250 each. The proceedings ended with a vote of thanks to the Chairman.

BOMBAY SERVICES.

Captain H. S. Strong, Assistant Resident, Amreli, is granted privilege leave for three months and furlough for twelve months in continuation, with effect from the 13th September.

The Services of Lieutenant-Colonel G. B. O'Donnel are replaced at the disposal of the Government of India, Army Department, with effect from the 26th October.

Major H. D. Merewether, on return to duty, to be Political Agent, Mahi Kantha, vice Lieutenant-Colonel G. B. O'Donnell, B.A. (Oxon.), retiring.

Major J. W. B. Merewether to act as Political Agent, Mahi Kantha, from the date of departure of Lieutenant-Colonel G. B. O'Donnell and pending the arrival of Major H. D. Merewether.

Lieutenant B. I. H. charge of the office of Assistant Political Resident at Perim, in addition to his Military duties, with effect from the 7th October pending further orders.

Mr. R. MacTier, District Superintendent of Police, Belgaum, is granted, with effect from the 1st November, such privilege leave as may be due to him on that date in combination with furlough for such period as may bring the combined period of absence up to eight months.

Mr. C. G. H. Fawcett, I.C.S, to be Second Grade Judge, vice Mr. R. S. Tipnis, deceased.

Mr. A. Master, I.C.S., Assistant Collector, Surat, is granted such privilege leave as was due to him on 12th September, in combination with furlough on medical certificate for such period as may bring the combined period of absence up to six months.

Mr. P. B. Haigh, B.A. (Cantab.), I.C.S., Assistant Collector, Bombay, is allowed privilege leave for one month with effect from the 20th October, or the subsequent date on which he may be relieved.

Mr. W. M. F. Clarke, Superintendent of Police, B. B. and C. I. Railway, passed on the 7th October an examination in Hindustani according to the Higher Standard.

The resignation by Mr. J. Begg of the post of Honorary Presidency Magistrate, Bombay, has been accepted. Lieutenant A. S. Meek, Assistant Political Resident, Aden, is invested with all the powers conferred on a Magistrate of the Second Class for Aden and its dependencies and with Power to pass sentences of whipping and power to hold inquests.

Lieutenant A. S. Meek to be a Justice of the Peace within and for the territories, subject to the Government of Bombay other than the Presidency Town of Bombay.

The Reverend J. G. S. Syme, M.A., is appointed Chaplain of Karachi.

The Reverend H. Naish is appointed Chaplain of Hyderabad (Sind).

Lieutenant B. I. H. Adler, 113th Infantry, to be a Magistrate of the Second Class in the district of Aden, and to exercise the powers with which he is invested within the limits of the Island of Perim. Lieutenant Adler is also invested with power to pass sentences of whipping (section 32); and power to hold inquests (section 174). Lieutenant Adler to be a Justice of the Peace within and for the territories subject to the Government of Bombay other than the Presidency Town of Bombay.

Lieutenant-Colonel W. B. Bannerman, M. D., I.M.S., Director of the Bombay Bacteriological Laboratory, is granted privilege leave for one month and twenty days, with furlough out of India for eighteen months in continuation, with effect from the 31st August.

Lieutenant-Colonel H. W. Stevenson, I.M.S., has been allowed an extension of furlough on medical certificate for two months.

Captain W. G. Liston, M.D., I.M.S., is appointed to hold charge of the current duties of the office of the Director of the Bombay Bacteriological Laboratory, in addition to his own special duties during the absence on leave of Lieutenant-Colonel W. B. Bannerman, M.D., I.M.S., or until further orders.

Mr. K. P. Mullan, L. M. & S., is appointed an Assistant Surgeon of the Third Grade.

Lieutenant-Colonel B. B. Grayfoot, M.D., I.M.S. is granted, from the date of relief, such privilege leave of absence as may be due to him on that date in combination with furlough for such period as, may bring the combined period of absence up to twelve months.

The services of the Honourable Mr. W. T. Morison, I.C.S., are placed at the disposal of the Government of India.

Lieutenant R. E. H. Griffith, Adjutant, 26th Prince of Wales's Own Light Cavalry, has been appointed to officiate as Adjutant, His Excellency the Governor's Body Guard, with effect from the 1st September.

Messrs. H. C. Crossle, A. A. Musto and C. H. H. Philpot-Brooks have, been appointed by the Secretary of State to this Presidency as Assistant Engineers, 3rd Grade. They are posted as follows:—Mr. Crossle to the Southern Division. Mr. Musto for duty under the Indus River Commission. Mr. Brookes to the Northern Division.

Mr. C. M. Lane, Assistant Engineer, 2nd Grade, is appointed, pending further orders, to act as Executive Engineer, Karachi Canals, vice Mr. R. T. Harrison, Assistant Engineer, 1st Grade, and Executive Engineer, 3rd Grade, temporary rank, proceeding on combined leave.

FROM Muenchen-Gladbach comes a story which reminds one of the Captain of Koepenick. A man named Jocken has been arrested for hoaxing the people of the neighbourhood with bogus orders for the billeting of soldiers. Dressed in the uniform of the Field Artillery, he went to various villages, the Berlin correspondent of the "Chronicle" says, visited the authorities, and, with heir co-operation, arranged for quarters for several regiments of soldiers alleged to be returning from the manœuvres. The people, who in this district are very fond of the military, were delighted. They ordered in large quantities of provisions, and were in a state of jubilant excitement. Hundreds of them went out along the roads to meet the returning troops and welcome them, but no troops came and it slowly dawned on the villagers that the had been victimised by an elaborate practical joke.

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THE LADIES' CORNER.

CREAM FILET, WITH CANARY SILK.

THE leading Paris couturieres writes appear for the moment to be devoting all his attention to the question of evening frocks, and some wonderful surprises are anticipated. Worth is using brocade to an immense extent, both velvet and fancy brocades being pressed into service, while in some cases the same effect is produced by means of motifs of the softest chiffon velvet, applied to light clinging materials such as voile ninon or crepe de chine. To be in keeping with the fashion of the moment we must glitter and scintillate from every point of view, dull mat effects being almost entirely excluded from the modistic scheme. According to the authority quoted above, diamonds, intermixed with long bugles, are the best trimming for the purpose and the design chosen by this maitre couturier is simplicity itself, huge single stones being sewn in serried lines on the material of the gown.

EVENING GOWN OF SOLFERINO PINK TULLE.

In the case of a sumptuous ball dress of bright cherry coloured—or, to be more correct, a briliant Solferino pink—tulle, the full pleated skirt is trimmed from the waist to the knees with a single row of large glittering diamond dewdrops, which, at intervals, opens out into the link of a chain, while the ends are finished with a small tassel of tiny stones. The corsage of this gown is simply of swathed tulle, with a square of creamy lace in the centre of the bust, and is supported over the shoulder by single diamond chains, with motifs of lace caught together with a band of Solferino pink tulle, which forms the apology for a sleeve. The gown is mounted over a foundation of poult de soie of rose-leaf texture, softened with an interlining of mousseline de soie, and represents one of the most graceful and elegant creations for the coming season. No gowns will be extravagantly low, in spite of all that was said to the contrary during the early part of the season, and the latest dresses evolved by the leading dressmakers cover the lower end of the shoulderblades at the back, and in front show only the "naissance de la gorge." Those who are endowed with pretty shoulders will wear sleeves such as are mentioned in the gown before described, while the majority, who cannot lay claim to this particular gift of nature, will resort to tiny sleeves of an indefinite type.

COMBINATION OF SABLE AND FILET NET.

As regards afternoon gowns, some smart demi saison examples show a light trimming of fur, sable being, of course, premier favourite, with the alternative in many instances of ermine or marten. A charming Worth gown destined for a wedding function was designed in cream filet in the princess style, with lace insertions carried round the skirt in horizontal form. The pattern of this lace was greatly enriched by being darned over in soft silver thread, giving dignity and importance to the scheme, while over this was worn a long, full-basqued, cutaway coat of canary, coloured silk, fashioned in the Louis XV. style, and entirely covered with a design of cream soutache. To establish a harmony between the gown and the coat itself a wide band of yellow silk, likewise soutache, was introduced at the knees, another band forming a hem to the skirt. The collar was supplemented with narrow sable revers with a head of this costly little quadruped introduced on either side. Another wonderful afternoon gown which provided a link between winter and summer toilettes was a voile de ninon over fine soft velvet. The colour of the latter was of dull Nettier blue, while the same shade, only a trifle softer in tone, was chosen for the lighter material. This was hemmed with velvet, while the bodice, which was arranged in fichu form over the shoulders, was fashioned of the two materials bordered with handsome velvet applique, and opening over an under corsage and yoke of creamy lace sewn with delicate gold motifs. Touches of ermine gave a becoming finish to the toilette, the notable feature being the entirely novel idea of treating velvet as a foundation instead of using it as the main material, and completely covering it with the soft folds of the voile. As a matter of fact, velvet will be introduced in every form and guise this winter, and will be almost ubiquitous where trimmings are concerned.

VOGUE FOR BLACK CARACUL.

In the matter of furs, caracul will be worn again to a by no means inconsiderable extent, few of the fur coats being, however, designed with a defined waist line. A charming model, which is being shown by Redfern this autumn, is fashioned of black caracul in loose double-breasted form with a narrow waistcoat of black velvet, braided in black and gold soutache. This coat is supplemented with a capital sleeve, which seems specially contrived to prevent its spoiling or crushing the undersleeve of the gown. It is slightly full on the shoulder, and falls without any diminution of size to half way between the elbow and wrist, the two seams being left open for about two inches from the end, while a small flat collar and revers of ermine provide additional decoration. The toll which is levied on popularity is always an increase in price. Among the fur stoles silver fox is first favourite, the cost of this species of pelt having risen considerably. The example of the moment is fashioned of two skins, both the heads being placed on the shoulders of the wearer facing to the back while the tails take the place of tassels at each end.

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Latest dates of Foreign Messages received at Bombay from the United Kingdom during the 24 hours ending at 8 p.m. of the 17th Oct. 1907.

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Via	Latest Dates.			Time Occupied in Transmission.	
	D.	H.	M.	Hrs.	Mts.
Turkey	16	6	5 p m	7	55
Teheran	17	12	30 p m	1	11
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From Calcutta	17th Oct. 1907.	3	[illegible]	0	9
„ Karachee	Ditto	0	[illegible]	0	1
„ Madras	Ditto	2	[illegible]	0	1

NOTICES.

The Anglo-American Company notify that service gunboats between Trinidad and Amacura for telegrams destined for Venezuela have again been suspended. (27-6-06).

During the strike of Telegraph operators, Telegrams for all places in United States, America, except New York City and Boston are subject to delay, and can only be forwarded at sender's risk. (14-8-07).

Following received from the Bombay cable begins Marseilles advises French lines working badly owing storms, Messages coming by post ends (17-10-07).

A SPECIAL Cablegram to the *Asian* says that the Hon'ble Mr. A. A. Apcar's racehorse Great Scot has finally retired from racing at Home and has been sent to the Gobham Stud. He will now be the second Viceroy's Cup winner at the stud in England the other being *Up-Guards*.

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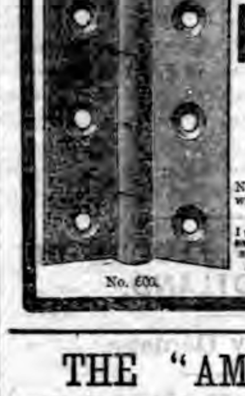

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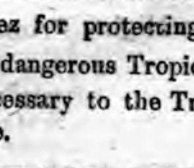

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BY THE WAY.

A CADDIE'S ENTERPRISE.

It has frequently been suggested that a great change come has over the characteristics of the caddies who frequent our golf courses. One thing—enterprise—still appears to survive among them. The "Glasgow News" tells of one who trudged from St. Andrews to Hoylake in anticipation of getting some "carrying" at the Open Championship. The distance from Edinburgh he makes out to be 300 miles and he averaged thirty miles a day. Pretty hard up on the road he had to part with his knife for a copper to take him across the Mersey. And then, at the end of his expedition, he was denied work, the caddies there being all officially registered. Some of his Scotch friends helped him, however, and he was soon back in St. Andrews.

THE ART OF PRODUCING DWARF TREES.

The October "Windsor" contains an interesting article on "The Dwarf-tree Culture of Japan," with many illustrations. Dwarf trees are, we learn, produced from seeds, or—in cases where this is not practicable—from carefully selected cuttings. When the young plant begins to grow it is tended with ceaseless care, and from the commencement of its career its natural tendencies are subjugated to the will of its matter. Each twig, each leaf, as it makes its appearance, becomes the object of the closest scrutiny. Shall it be permitted to grow, and if so, in what direction? May it not be advisable to cut it away altogether and encourage growth elsewhere? These and a dozen similar questions occupy the mind of the Japanese artist, and upon their correct solution depends the ultimate value of the tree.

YEARS OF LABOUR.

The artist has at his disposal several centuries of transmitted experience. To this he adds an infinite capacity for taking pains. He cuts and prunes his subject, often mercilessly, but always with infinite care and forethought. At times, with bass or wire, he draws a wayward twig into its ordained position; then, after two or three years, when the trend of the branch is fully established, the bonds are cut away again. From time to time, too, the tree is carefully repotted, and on such occasions its roots are subjected to a careful examination. Indeed, in their turn, they receive as much attention as do the branches. Everything is done, in fact, to concentrate the life of the tree within the narrowest possible limits. And at last, after years of unremitting labour, the tree begins to respond to the touch of its master.

DOCTORING PIGMY TREES IN ENGLAND

Many of the choicest and most ancient dwarf trees have of recent years been brought from Japan to England, and are now in possession of private collectors, or else are on view at one of the London establishments, where these living curiosities are "stocked for sale." Moreover, purchasers of the trees are usually informed that their specimens may at anytime be sent "to hospital" at a small monthly cost; and this provision is very necessary, seeing that the life of a valuable dwarf-tree, which for some reason may have become sickly, may often be saved by a little timely treatment at the hands of an expert. Indeed, the hospital branch of the dwarf-tree business is so important that few years ago an enterprising firm actually fetched Segiro Takagi, perhaps, the most distinguished dwarf-tree trainer now alive, from far Japan, and installed him as reigning spirit in a nursery at Acton.

THE KAISER ON THE RAILWAY CRISIS.

Something said by the German Emperor many years since—shortly, in fact, before the issue of the famous labour rescripts, in 1889—has a close and particular bearing on the principal difference between the railway directors and the leaders of the railwaymen. He was speaking, during a strike of miners, to a deputation of coalowners, and he concluded by ying: I beg of you, take pains to give working-n a chance to present their grievances in a formal manner. . . . It is natural and human that one should seek to better himself. Workmen read newspapers and know the relation that their wages bear to the profits of the company. It is obvious that they should desire to have some share of this. A notable deliverance.

MR. DEAKIN IN THE CITY.

What was Mr. Deakin's greatest oratorical triumph in London? In the opinion of his secretary, whose third instalment of reminiscences is to hand, it was the meeting he addressed at the Baltic in the City. Under the spell of the oratory of the Prime Minister of the Commonwealth, this crowd of City merchants and shippers seemed to have been "seized with a strange madness." They wildly cheered the speech, and when it was over they "formed an excited lane of frock-coats and silk hats and cheered vociferously again as Mr. Deakin proceeded to his motor-car." What aroused this enthusiasm was "the demand for Empire by one who had come from the uttermost bounds of the Empire."

TOM MANN'S NEW ROLE.

Mr. Tom Mann, who some years ago was a prominent Socialist lecturer and agitator in London, but who is now a voluntary exile in Australia, has taken up a new role in his adopted home. According to an Australian paper, having established a Socialist Sunday-school in Melbourne, he is baptising children in the Socialists faith. Mr. Mann takes his stand on the platform usually occupied by clergymen at baptismal ceremonials, and when the children are handed up to him he asks the parents whether they are willing that their offspring should be wholly given up to the International Socialists movement. On receiving an affirmative reply, the infants are passed into his arms. Then he pins on to their clothes red rosettes and steamers bearing their names and the date of their dedication, together with the title of the Socialist Party. Mr. Mann, it may be remembered, before emigrating, was landlord of a public-house in Long-acre.

BRACKEN SPINACH.

The "Epicure" recommends the young fronds of bracken as a substitute for spinach. They must be boiled something under two hours, and flavoured with cloves. If it is cut before the fronds uncurl, it may be treated as asparagus. If it pleases the Epicure to eat a mixture of cloves and bracken, well and good, but why call it spinach? The Westminster Borough Council sent a man to prison for selling a pound of dried spinach and seven grains of sulphate of copper, but the Briton, hide-bound in convention, would probably prefer that green and deadly compound to a dinner of fern. If it were forced upon him, he would, like Nebuchadnezzar in the prize poem:

> Murmur, as he munched the unusual food,
> "It may be wholesome, but it is not good."

STRICTLY GERM-PROOF.

The Antiseptic Baby and the Prophylactic Pup
Where playing in the garden when the Bunny gambolled up;
They looked upon the Creature with a loathing undisguised—
It wasn't disinfected and it wasn't sterilised.
They said it was a Microbe and a Hot-bed of Disease;
They steamed it in a vapour of a thousand-odd degrees;
They froze it in a freezer that was cold as Banished Hope,
And washed it in permanganate with carbolated soap.
In sulphuretted hydrogen they steeped its wiggly ears;
They trimmed its frisky whiskers with a pair of hard-boiled shears;
They donned their rubber mittens and they took it by the hand
And 'lected it a member of the Fumigated Band.
There's not a Micrococcus in the garden where they play;
They swim in pure iodoform a dozen times a day;
And each imbibes his rations from a Hygienic Cup—
The Bunny and the Baby and the Prophylactic Pup.

—*Chemist and Druggist.*

Miss Ward, a London lady, engaged in philantropic work, while crossing to America as a steerage passenger in the White Star liner "Baltic," in order to study immigration conditions, met an American missionary, Mr. Charles Mould, of Pittsburg, who was engaged on the same errand. An attachment sprang up between them, and as soon as the vessel arrived at New York the young couple were married.

GREEN ROOM GOSSIP.

AS WE ARE SURE TO LIKE IT.

Good news from His Majesty's. Mr. Oscar Asche and Miss Lily Brayton, whose meritorious work in the higher departments of the theatre has placed them among the select few who represent the trusted guardians of the English stage, are preparing a revival of "As You Like It," which promises to be one of the most notable, as it is certain to be one of the most beautiful, Shakespearean productions of the year. Interest of no ordinary kind will naturally be awakened, and kept awake, by the appearance of Miss Brayton in the character of Rosalind. It is easy to imagine in this gifted young actress a Rosalind of a particularly charming kind, for it would be impossible for her intelligence not to rescue her from those "principal boy" tricks of manner, for which the heroine's masculine attire has so often been responsible in other young actresses who have attempted the part, while her youth and beauty should give a strikingly convincing touch to the circumstance of the banished Duke's daughter being loved to distraction—or to the length of writing amorous jingle, which is much the same thing—by an Orlando so handsome as Mr. Henry Ainley.

A DIGRESSION.

I recall a playgoing experience in Margate, which proves, to the comfort of my conscience, that there are other people in the world besides myself who cannot so completely be put off their mental guard by the beauty of Shakespeare's poetry as to see in its speaker the youth and loveliness she may not happen to possess. To my mind, if a Rosalind is very plainly plain, her physical disqualification is accentuated rather than softened by its association with beauty. It suffers by contrast, whether the beauty be in a human companion, in the music, in the poetry, or in the scenery. I may be wrong, and I do not hope that I am right. But I know it is a very painful thing to me to see an ugly Rosalind coquetting with a handsome Orlando—for one great and sufficient reason, because I feel that some rude and unfeeling remark is ever on the verge of proceeding from the gallery, and one cannot be troubled with a more uncomfortable sensation at a theatre than that.

CONTRASTS.

Once, at the Theatre Royal, Margate, where "As You Like It" was being given by a company which included a very plain, and by no means young, lady in the part of Rosalind, and an extremely good-looking youth in the part of Orlando, my agony of suspense was suddenly brought up to the halt by a flash of pain, which seemed to be the concentrated essence of every separate sense of mental discomfort with which I had previously been tortured. It had come at last, by weary stages, and upon a somewhat dreary stage, to that final forest scene of all—and there are many—where the banished Duke is enlightened as to the identity of his daughter; and when that Duke, who, if anything, was younger even than the Orlando, in spite of iron-grey wig and beard, uttered the line: "If there be truth in sight, you are my daughter," a wretched woman in the gallery bawled down to the unhappy nobleman: "There's something the matter with yer sight, young feller! She's yer grandmother!" It was very rude, but the fault was not entirely that of the disturber of the peace. She had paid her money in advance for a show which she knew should in certain matters be realistic, and she probably felt annoyed at being expected to provide, by the exercise of her imagination, that essential quality in the Rosalind which was so conspicuously absent—the quality of youthful charm.

JACQUES.

As Jacques, Mr. Oscar Asche should be admirable. He will spread his massive frame over the largest tree-stump he can find, and, placing one foot firmly on the left, and the other foot firmly on the right, roll out his "Seven Ages" as if there were no such thing in front of him as an audience composed, at the moment, chiefly of curiosity as to how he will "come out" in this particular "speech." One cannot imagine Mr. Asche going nervously to work over anything. He is always so clear, so firm, so deliberate. The ordinary Jacques obviously has the Seven Ages on his mind when we first discover him. Although he cries, "More, more, I pr'y thee, more," to Amiens, when that obliging attendant has sung the first verse of "Under the Greenwood Tree," he does not seem able to show that he really wants more. He has an unsettled look about him. The Seven Ages are standing in the light of his enjoyment. He is absent-minded, and just picks at his work, as a nervous man at a banquet picks at his food when it has been whispered to him that he is down to propose the ladies. And just as the nervous speaker is not happy until that terrifying duty is over, so is the average Jacques never comfortable until the Seven Ages are off his chest. They spoil his whole evening. But they are not likely to spoil Mr. Oscar Asche's. There is, if I may use the word, a certain truculence about the art and methods of Mr. Asche, which seems to promise a bad quarter of an hour to anything or anybody that might have the temerity to try and part the actor of his stroke. The Seven Ages will not worry Mr. Oscar Asche.

TOUCHSTONE.

Nor is there likely to be anything the matter with the Touchstone of Mr. Courtice Pounds. It will perhaps be a lighter and a less philosophic Touchstone than most, with a merry ring of comedy opera about it; but for this it will be all the better. Shakespeare's clowns never struck me as being particularly humorous gentlemen. Their wit is laboured, strained, and monotonously deductive, and they are too often played with a ponderous touch. Mr. H. V. Esmond's Touchstone is the only one in my memory that really pleased me. It was a frank, laughing, mercurial Touchstone, which seemed to see its own weaknesses as a stage character with a mission to entertain, and to be anxious to make up for them in an irresponsible light-heartedness which proved perfectly charming. Mr. Courtice Pounds, with his fresh and jolly manner, and his delightful voice is sure to be an exceptional Touchstone. He is cut out, perhaps not for the part as it stands in the book, but certainly for making an uncommonly good best of it, and it is a very real joy to know that Mr. Oscar Asche has arranged that the "Cuckoo" and "Too-whit" " songs of Love's Labour's Lost" shall be introduced into "As You Like It" in honour of his widely appreciated vocal talents.

A PROPHECY.

I can see—and hear—Mr. Courtice Pounds being a great success as Touchstone; while we are sure to get sound work in the old Adam of Mr. Alfred Brydone and in the Celia of Miss Muriel Ashwynne, a pretty young actress who has made considerable headway in her profession since the days, not many years removed from the present time, when, as an ambitious amateur, she was "running" dramatic performances of various sorts in the great attic which spread over the house of her father, a well-known doctor, in the North of London. Miss Ashwyne took to acting and singing when she was a very small child indeed—the shoes and socks and sash age; and it has even been said, though I will not say who said it, that, as a fat and fair-haired infant, Miss Ashwynne, instead of heralding her awakening to the language of her country with the usual "ma-ma-pop-pa," gave forth prophetic utterances, which bore a more or less distinct resemblance to "dra-ma, op-ra."

GASPARD AT THE ALHAMBRA.

The Press has some sort of influence, after all, no matter what swollen heads may say. Some little time ago, in the columns of a great London "daily," I ventured the suggestion that our managers might do much worse than revive opera bouffe—"Les Cloches, Madame Angot, La Mascotte, Rip Van Winkle," and so forth. A month after the publication of my article a company was formed in the provinces for reviving three out of the five or six pieces I named, and these met with such success that the organisers of the scheme are preparing to "go at it" again, with power to add to their (the pieces') number. "Les Cloches de Corneville" came prominently forward in the subsequent discussion of revivals in this direction, and somebody said what a lovely ballet it would make! And a very lovely ballet they are now making of it at the Alhambra. Rehearsals are in daily progress, and we may look for the arrival of this choreographic adaptation of the Planquette opera in about a fortnight. The ballet will be in three scenes, and in the last one, commonly known as the armour scene, there are to be surprises of "production," which, for magnificence, novelty, and costliness, are calculated to plunge into the shade every record yet attained in this department by the Alhambra stage management. But what is of more importance still is that the talents of the beautiful Mdlle. Bordin, the premier danseuse of this popular establishment, are to be drawn upon to such an extent that she will be seen on the stage in nearly every episode of the ballet, in various disguises and impersonations, and that the miser, Gaspard, will be enacted by that powerful mime, Signor Rossi. It will be a great delight to all grades of playgoers to see "Les Cloches" thus reproduced, and to hear Planquette's ear-haunting melodies expressed by Mr. George Byng's splendid orchestra.

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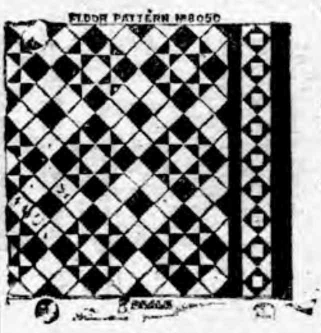

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